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PREMIER TO BROADCAST SUNDAY: ROUSING WELCOME FOR CHURCHILL ON RETURN TO DOWNING STREET

Appointment Of British Personnel For Three-Power Conference In Moscow Will Be One Of First Tasks

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, the Prime Minister, who arrived in London early yesterday morning, started work immediately on reaching No. 10, Downing Street. His colleagues followed him into No. 10 soon afterwards.

THE PRIME MINISTER WILL BROADCAST TO THE NATION ON SUNDAY AT 9 P.M. BRITISH SUMMER TIME.

In a tribute to Mr. Churchill as a man of great courage and understanding, MR. HAROLD HICKS, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour said: "HIS INITIATIVE AND COURAGE HAVE CAPTURED THE ADMIRATION OF THE WORLD. THIS COUNTRY AND ITS ALLIES WILL WISH TO THANK HIM NOT ONLY FOR THE DRAMATIC MEETING BUT ALSO FOR THE MANLY AND SPIRITUAL DECLARATION FROM THE ATLANTIC. HE IS A MAN OF GREAT COURAGE AND UNDERSTANDING AND IF THE PEOPLE WILL GIVE HIM UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORT THEY WILL BE BACKING A MAN WHO STANDS FOR ALL THE IDEALS OF THIS COUNTRY AND THE BETTER TIMES BEFORE IT."

The Prime Minister arrived in London by a night train from the port where he disembarked after his historic trip to meet President Roosevelt in mid-Atlantic.

The Premier, whose first words were "IT IS GOOD TO BE IN LONDON AGAIN," was warmly greeted by his wife and most members of the Cabinet.

Wearing a yachting cap, a blue reefersuit and smoking a cigar, Mr. Churchill was obviously in excellent health, bronzed by the sun and sea breezes. He looked in better health than at any time since he became Premier.

Outside the station, a huge crowd stretched across the roadway gave an enthusiastic welcome and traffic had to be stopped to allow a clear run for the Premier's car.

As the Premier stepped from the train, MRS. CHURCHILL literally ran across the platform, kissed him affectionately and repeatedly, and for a few minutes they stood together away from the remainder of the welcoming party.

"Inhuman Tortures" Inflicted By Fascists

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—"Inhuman tortures" are inflicted by Fascists on the population of occupied districts, according to a supplement to a Soviet communiqué.

"In Stapanovka Village," it says, "they shot many peasants for refusal to betray Soviet workers. In Rudny Village, the Fascists decided to stage a 'reception' for the Germans by the local population."

"All the villagers were herded near a microphone and the Fascists tried to compel them to sing. Despite beatings, they all kept silent and then the Fascists opened fire on the defenceless crowd."

TRAINS BOMBED

"At Olenino station, German planes, flying low, bombed two trains of open platform cars with women, children and wounded Red Army men in them."

"The fliers clearly saw who was on the platforms. The women and children tried to hide in the rye fields, but the Fascists machine-gunned them. Many women, children, old folk and wounded Red Army men were killed."

Enemy Shipping Losses Best Yet Reported

ENEMY SHIPPING LOSSES ARE THE BEST YET REPORTED.

In the five weeks between July 10 and last Saturday, says Reuter, 610,000 tons were destroyed of which the Russians accounted for 200,000 tons in the Baltic and Black Seas. These were enumerated as captured, sunk or scuttled.

Since the war began, the enemy has lost 4,700,000 tons of shipping, of which 2,321,000 tons were German and 1,378,000 were Italian.

Sir Shenton Thomas On Insurance For Peace

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Referring to the recent arrival of the largest single convoy of Australian troops ever to be sent for the defence of Malaya, the High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, at this morning's meeting of the Federal Council, said:—

"The Axis propaganda would have the world believe that the people of Malaya are uneasy and afraid and that the troops in garrison are discontented and overbearing."

"Nothing is farther from the truth. I do not believe that anywhere in the world the relations between troops and civil population are more harmonious and more cordial."

"All the intense activity and all the reinforcements arriving regularly—these constantly are nothing more than an insurance for peace."

"We do not seek war but we are fighting against aggressors and the spirit of aggression, and will defend ourselves if attacked."

"We happily have on our Northern border the friendly territory of Thailand; to whom we are linked by bonds of mutual regard and to whose peace-loving people we wish well."

The Cabinet deputation was led by MR. CLEMENT ATTLEE, Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Prime Minister who last Thursday announced to the world the eight-point Declaration.

The only woman except Mrs. Churchill was LADY CRANBORNE, wife of the Dominions Secretary (Lord Cranborne).

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Japanese Government Has No Intention Of Holding Americans As Hostages

TOKYO, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The Government has no intention of holding Americans as hostages in Japan, declared a spokesman of the Cabinet Information Board at the Press conference today.

He declined to elaborate on what problems related to the permission for the departure of Americans and other foreigners from Japan but intimated, however, that they do not include trade, political or other international issues between Japan and the United States.

He pointed out that the Home Office Ordinance, issued on Aug. 15, restricting foreigners entry, residence and departures, applies to aliens of all nationalities. Moreover, this measure is similar to war-time regulations affecting the movements of aliens which are already in force in many countries at war.

The spokesman recalled the Washington reports that President Roosevelt will issue a proclamation shortly requiring all United States citizens and aliens, who desire to enter or leave the United States after Sept. 1, to secure entry or exit permits, or their equivalent, which are now under preparation by the State and Justice Departments.

TO CURB SPIES

He said the Japanese ruling was parallel with the United States' step which is reportedly designed to curb the movements of spies, propagandists, fifth columnists and travellers whose activities are detrimental to National interests. At the Press conference, the Deputy Spokesman, Mr. Koh Ichih said that Americans may leave the country only if the Government consents.

He said the American liner President Coolidge did not visit Japan because the United States Embassy tried to increase the number of evacuees to sail on it contrary to the original arrangements to send out 22 officials.

The deputy spokesman said he was sorry that the President Coolidge did not come to Japan and was also sorry that the Coolidge question had been dropped because the United States Embassy did not keep its promise otherwise the vessel "might have been given a friendly reception" at Yokohama where she was scheduled to arrive from Shanghai.

ATTITUDE TO U.S.

Asked about Japan's attitude towards American aid sent via Vladivostok, the spokesman said it was unchanged since the first statement at the outbreak of the Soviet-German war.

"We wish to preserve peace in the Orient and, therefore, we cannot remain indifferent to foreign shipments of war materials to our neighbour," he said. "American diplomacy should have delicacy. Japan is watching the situation with grave concern."

Asked about Japan's possible attitude towards the alleged military alliance between Britain, America and Russia and the question as to whether such an alliance would violate the Japanese-Soviet Neutrality Pact, the deputy spokesman said that that remained to be seen.

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RUSSIANS EVACUATE KINGISEPP AFTER STUBBORN FIGHTING: SOVIET BATTLESHIP IS CAPTURED IN HARBOUR OF NIKOLAIEV

The Soviet midnight communiqué covering the fighting during the hours of daylight on Monday says (according to Reuter):

"Our troops continued fierce fighting with the enemy along the entire front. After stubborn fighting our troops evacuated the town of KINGISEPP (due west of Narva and south-west of Leningrad)."

"During the night of Aug. 17, 22 German planes were brought down in air combats. We lost 18 planes."

"According to precise data now available, in the course of air combats on Aug. 16, 25 German planes were brought down and not 19 as previously reported."

"In the BALTIC SEA our torpedo-boats sank a German submarine and two enemy transports."

AUSTRALIA GREATLY HONOURED

SYDNEY, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—"Australia is a young nation and feels most greatly honoured of having the friendship of the Chinese people," said SIR FREDERICK EGLESTON in a speech to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Newly appointed as Minister to China, Sir Frederick described the Chinese as the "greatest long-distance stayers in the world." We have every confidence that China will weather the storms besetting her."

The Soviet mid-day communiqué yesterday stated that during Monday night Soviet troops continued fighting along the entire front. The German High Command stated that the pursuit battle in South Ukraine, in which German, Hungarian and Italian troops participated, brought the entire region to the west of the Dniester into their hands.

The communiqué claims that in the harbour of Nikolaiev a 35,000-ton battleship, a 10,000-ton cruiser and four destroyers were captured. Another attempt to raid Moscow was made on Monday night.

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APPEAL TO ARGENTINE STATESMEN

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—An appeal to all Argentine professors, statesmen and officers to maintain Argentine's democratic institutions against totalitarian tendencies, was made by SENOR JUAN CARLOS REBORA, retiring President of La Plata University, at a banquet in his honour last night.

The banquet, which was arranged by Senor Ricardo Rojas, Democratic Leader, is considered to mark the beginning of the waning of Nazi influence in the University.

Senor Rebora is succeeded by Senator Angel Palacios.

Faith In Budenny's Fame As Master Of Manoeuvre

Broadcasting a commentary on the news from London last night, MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY said that he placed a lot of faith in Marshal Budenny's fame as a master of manoeuvre. We did not know how successful Budenny had been in ending the German advance to the Dniester but in the advance in the Ukraine the Germans had not made any big claims of the capture of prisoners and equipment.

"If, therefore, Leningrad is threatened," added Major Murray, "I feel sure we shall see a terrific defence put up by the Russians who are aware of the serious consequences if the city falls."

The Russian Baltic Fleet depended on the nearby naval base of Kronstadt.

AT TWO ENDS

At the outset of his commentary, Major Murray said that some time ago he suggested that as the German drives on Smolensk and Kiev were not progressing we might expect fighting to break out at the two ends of the long front.

In the Ukraine, the Germans had already advanced to a considerable extent and they were now attempting another thrust in the north towards Leningrad thus forming a gigantic pincer movement.

We could assume that the German lines of communications, with a large part of them in Estonia were easier to keep open.

The Germans had much time to prepare for the thrust on Leningrad but how long this would be maintained was another story, because with every mile of advance they would be getting nearer to the main defences of the city.

COLOGNE RAIDED

The Air Ministry states that Cologne and Duisburg were again attacked by British bombers on Monday night.

Eight British aircraft are missing. Enemy operations were on a small scale, almost entirely confined to the east coast of Scotland, states an Air Ministry communiqué.

Today's News Summary

RETURNING TO LONDON BY NIGHT TRAIN from the port at which he disembarked after his historic mid-Atlantic meeting with Mr. Roosevelt, the British Prime Minister began work immediately at famous No. 10 Downing Street yesterday morning. Mr. Churchill, who was given an enthusiastic welcome home, will broadcast to the nation on Sunday night. The Premier was very happy and looked in the best of health.

ON THE EASTERN FRONT, THE GERMANS have yet to reach the River Dniester and then cross it. The German thrust in the Ukraine is vitally important and the speed of the German advance, although high, is such that no doubt the Russians are fighting well in rear-guard action to the Dniester. The new German thrust in the north is certainly in the nature of a threat to Leningrad.

IT WAS STATED BY A TOKYO SPOKESMAN yesterday that the Japanese Government had no intention of holding Americans as hostages in Japan.

COLOGNE AND DUISBURG FELT THE WEIGHT of British bombs during raids on Monday night while enemy air activity over Britain was again on a small scale.

SPEAKING BEFORE THE FEDERAL COUNCIL in Kuala Lumpur, the High Commissioner for Malaya said that all the military preparations were an insurance for peace.

THE NEW AUSTRALIAN MINISTER TO CHUNGKING, speaking in Sydney, paid warm tribute to China and her wonderful staying power.

JAPANESE NAVY HAS PREROGATIVE OVER ARMY AS TO THE BOMBING OF CHUNGKING!

Interesting Revelations By Hon. Mr. Pennefather-Evans In Address To Rotary Club

The speaker at the weekly fifth meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club yesterday was the Hon. Mr. Pennefather-Evans, who spoke on his recent visit to Chungking under the title "A Policeman Looks at Chungking."

Mr. Pennefather-Evans gave an interesting account of the air-defence system in China's wartime capital and spoke also of his visit to the Police Training Academy where 1,200 police officers are being trained for the police service of the whole of China.

There had been no rain for some time. Rotarian Professor R. C. Robertson was back in the Chair after an absence of some weeks occasioned by his recent illness. Rotarian Lam Ming-tan, Vice-President of the Club, who had taken over the duties of Chairman in his absence.

Welcomed back also to the meeting was Rotarian Hon. Sir Robert Kitchin, who only recently returned from a vacation trip necessitated by his recent illness.

A letter was read from the Rotary Club of Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, congratulating the Hongkong Rotary Club on the fact that the local Club have been so efficiently carrying on despite the times.

It was announced also that a sum of \$3,281.71, being the sum in the Rotary Club Mobile Canteen Fund that was to be spent on ambulances for China, has been donated to the National Red Cross of China for the purchase of an ambulance truck that will fly the flag of the Hongkong Rotary Club.

A visiting Rotarian present was Capt. W. J. Scotcher (Canton). Guests present were Messrs. Y. T. Lee, Arthur Choy, Geo. Pentreath, F. Chan, B. Puckle, E. Abraham, F. H. S. Pocken, H. L. Mackenzie, Brig. A. Peffer, and Capt. G. C. C. Crew.

THE ADDRESS

Mr. Pennefather-Evans said, in part:—

Chungking, in many ways, resembles Hongkong in its geographical aspects. Like Hongkong, the city is all length and no breadth, strung out at the foot of hills. On one side of the hills is the Yangtze River and on the other, the Chia Ling River. These rivers join at Chungking.

As I think you probably all know, the city has been unmercifully bombed for the last two years and there has been, to all intents and purposes, no possibility of retaliation or adequate protection by fighters or anti-aircraft guns.

Consequently, when a raid takes place, the Japanese have it all their own way. The population takes refuge in the excellent dug-outs that are provided everywhere. Fortunately, Chungking has a first class observation corps who, wireless, the approach of aeroplanes that attack the city. It is said that observers watch the Japanese planes warming up at Hankow before a raid, and wireless the information back to Chungking.

On receipt of this information, one ball is hoisted on the many signal masts set up, somewhat like our typhoon signals, on vantage points in and around the city. At first, of course, it is not known whether the attack is to be on Chungking or some other city. As soon as observers report that the planes are passing over in the direction of Chungking, two balls are hoisted.

WOODEN INDICATORS

At street junctions, and other suitable places, large round wooden indicators are erected which look somewhat like giant archery targets. On each is painted a rough map of Szechuan with the city of Chungking as the bull's eye. Radiating outwards from the centre are drawn equidistant concentric circles. A rough wooden model of an aeroplane which is fixed on a wire from the centre to the outer edge of the board, indicates the direction from which the attack is coming. The position of the model on the board in relation to the concentric circles indicates the distance the planes are from Chungking. The colour of the model indicates the number of planes.

Thus people passing by and glancing at the indicator can see that there are between 10 and 15 planes approaching from the North-East, and are at a distance of 100 kilometres from Chungking. This method of information has a very stabilising effect on the population who feel that they are

being kept informed of the situation.

Finding the offices of Chinese officials was not at all easy, since a number of them have had to change their offices owing to the effects of the bombing.

My first impression on driving through the city was one of intense heat. This impression lasted throughout my stay in Chungking. I found a thermometer inside the office of a Chinese official which recorded the temperature at 105 degrees.

Time before my arrival, neither was there a drop during the whole of my seven days' stay in Chungking. We used to see the heavens anxiously for any sign of cloud which might not only promise rain, but cover from Japanese aeroplanes.

NEXT IMPRESSION

The next impression I got was dust. Roads in Chungking are wide but unmetalled for the most part. They are bombed so often that it is not worth while metalling them, but advantage is taken of the destruction of roads by a bombing to widen them. For the first 24 hours, I found the Chungking dust, which arises from the debris of bombed buildings and from the unmetalled roads, most unpleasant, but strangely enough, after 24 hours, I got used to it and scarcely noticed it.

Travelling backwards and forwards between Government offices, I had a very good opportunity to observe the effect of the bombing on the city and on the people. The people I found to be carrying on quite unperturbedly; they did not appear to be in the least depressed nor even worried.

As regards the city, I should imagine that there is scarcely a building in Chungking that has not at one time or another suffered from the air raids. Buildings of many storeys have given place to one-storeyed buildings and temporary structures. In fact, the general impression I got was that no sooner do the Japanese knock down a building, than the Chinese promptly put up something to take its place, and carry on.

PREROGATIVE OF NAVY!

The bombing of Chungking is the prerogative of the Japanese Navy. The Japanese Army, I am told, on one occasion dropped bombs and showered incendiary bombs with great effect on Chungking. The Navy were very angry with the Army trespassing on their reserves and particularly for using incendiary bombs, which the Navy, for some curious reason, consider to be unsporting. I was informed that since that incident, air attacks have been carried out by the Navy.

One of the many good reasons for my visit to Chungking was to learn at first hand how the population re-acted to bombing, and how the passive defence organisation worked out after two years' experience. Every facility was given me by the Chungking authorities to make all the observations I wished, and a motor-car was placed at my disposal to enable me to go round the city as soon as the first warning siren went, to enable me to see exactly what happened.

Some of the tunnels in Chungking can only be entered by ticket, and I saw tunnel guards checking the people into the tunnels. I went into several tunnels myself to see how the people were settling down there. Although the disaster in one of the tunnels in which several thousand people were killed occurred only a short time previous to my visit, I found everybody perfectly happy and no signs of any fear of a re-occurrence of that disaster.

Soldiers' fire at persons who are found wandering about after the urgent alarm has been given. They have never been known to hit anybody because they do not actually aim at the person, but it has the effect of hastening his guards into dug-outs.

TEA PARTY RECEPTION

Mr. Lau Wai-chi, Chairman of the Oversea-Chinese Affairs Commission, who arrived here some time ago from Chungking, on a tour of inspection, was entertained at a tea party reception yesterday afternoon by the members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

The reception, which was held in the hall of the Chamber's premises, was attended by a large and representative gathering of local Chinese business men and merchants, and among those present were Mr. Tung Chung-wai (Chairman), Mr. Gockchan (Vice-Chairman), Mr. H. Y. Ts'o (Secretary), Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Messrs. Chan Chak, Chow Kai-kong, Chow Hing-wan, Chow Ying-lung, Lam Pul-sang, Tung Chung-wai, Li Sing-kui, Wong Mow-lum, Ng Chak-wah, Au Chak-sum, Kwok Chun-shing, Lau Yuk-wan and many others.

TENNIS LEAGUE

South China Beat Chinese R. C.

South China Athletic Association beat Chinese Recreation Club by eight sets to one at King's Park yesterday in "B" Division of the Tennis League to practically assure themselves of the "B" Division championship.

Two other matches on the programme for yesterday were washed out by rain.

K. H. Ip and W. H. Ho (S.C. A.A.) beat T. C. Lu and K. L. Ho 6-1; beat K. C. Ng and O. L. Pang 6-3; beat D. C. Luk and P. F. Choy 6-1.

W. T. Lee and W. C. Hoh (S.C. A.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-2; beat Ng and Pang 6-1; lost to Luk and Choy 3-6.

S. C. Dew and P. Szeto (S.S. A.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-2; beat Ng and Pang 6-1; beat Luk and Choy 6-4.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

BOWLS.—Colony Open Pairs Championship, fourth Round, At Kowloon B.G.C.—L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v. A. J. Kew and Y. H. Tang, At Kowloon C.C.—H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (holders) v. J. V. Ramsey and R. Morrison. At Police R.C.—A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v. J. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom. At Craigengower.—H. R. Pinna and B. Basto p. E. G. Post and W. Cameron.

BASKETBALL.—Youths v. S. C. A.A.; Residents' Union v. National University, at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.

HOCKEY.—European Y. M. C. A. annual meeting, 6.30 p.m.

TENNIS.—"A" Division: G.D.R. v. S.C.A.A., C.R.C. v. K.C.C., H.K. U.T.C. I.R.C. "C" Division: C.D.R. v. K.I.T.C., A.T.C. v. C.R.C. (2), K.T.G.C.A. v. K.C.C., C.R.C. (1) I.R.C., H.K.U.T.C. v. S.C.A.A.

TOMORROW

BOWLS.—Colony Open Pairs Championship, Fourth Round, At Recto.—J. M. Jack and A. E. Perry v. W. R. Harris and A. Soutar v. W. J. Burling and M. N. Rakusen or N. J. Bebbington and J. F. McGowan. At Kowloon B.G.C.—S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar v. S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd. At Kowloon F.C.—Levett and H. Spang v. W. Walker and R. Duncan or K. C. Hamilton and A. M. Holland. At Civil Service.—T. A. Madar and A. E. P. Guest v. D. A. Rozario and J. S. Landolt.

TENNIS.—"D" Division: C.R.C. v. C.H.A., K.I.T.C. v. I.R.C., P.O. R.C. (2) v. J.R.C.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

BASKETBALL.—Bank Union v. Ping Ching; Yu Leang v. Police, At Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

BASKETBALL.—Trojans v. Sing Tao; Chinese "Y" v. Black Cats, At Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Civil Service v. Recto "A", Craigengower v. Indian R.C., Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C. "B", Police R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C. "A", Recto "B" v. Kowloon Dooks R.C. Second Division: Recto v. Kowloon C.C., Hongkong C.C. v. Craigengower, Kowloon Tang v. Kowloon F.C., P.O. R.C. v. Talkoo R.C. Third Division: Craigengower v. Hongkong F.C., Kowloon B.G.C. v. Police R.C., Kowloon F.C. v. Hongkong C.C., Indian R.C. v. Hongkong Electric.

COMPROMISE MOVES IN HOME FOOTBALL WAR

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter). If complete peace comes to end the football war of recent weeks it will mean a busy week for the officials, as following yesterday's meeting they agreed that the Football League President, Mr. W. C. Cuff, and Mr. W. J. Cearn, meet the London clubs probably to discuss an alternative scheme, and English football is due to start in eight days.

There is no need to retell how the trouble started beyond the fact that London clubs objected to the League programme on the grounds of the lengthy travel involved in the League arrangements and formed a league of their own among 11 club together with five near-London sides.

The whole 16 thereupon surrendered their membership to the League according to the rules of that body but the alternative scheme by which the Londoners took in other Southern clubs has brought about the peace moves.

Mr. George Allison, representing London, travelled to Derby to meet League representatives and the friendliest of discussions on the difficulties took place.

SCHOOLS' GALA

Event Scheduled For Sat. Afternoon

Final heats in the Victoria Recreation Club's gala for schoolboys and schoolgirls were decided yesterday evening at the V.R.C. pool and following were the results:

220 yards free style (Senior): Heat 1: 1. D. Young (St. Joseph's); 2. A. V. Lopes (La Salle); 3. A. Sandberg (La Salle), 2 mins. 58 secs. Heat 2: 1. William Tao (St. Stephen's); 2. J. Roza-Perelra (La Salle), 3 mins. 01.2/5 secs.

Diving 3-metre board: 1. Chang On (St. Stephen's); 2. B. Pomeroy (La Salle).

According to Mr. A. Noronha, Swimming Convenor of the V.R.C., the gala which is scheduled for Saturday will commence at 5.07 p.m. and not 9.07 p.m. as originally intended.

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H.K.E.R.C. RINKS

The following rinks will represent the Hongkong Electric R.C. in the Lawn Bowls League match on Saturday against the I.R.C. at Soekunpoo:—

W. Stonehouse, E. L. Groome, A. F. Paul, J. K. Sloan (skip); W. Stoker, J. R. Way, R. C. Butler, J. F. Lunny (skip); R. A. Owens, R. F. Gregory, W. E. Macfarlane, A. G. Gardner (skip).

13TH CAPITAL TRIAL AT SUPREME COURT

Indian Watchman Sentenced To Death: Shooting Sequel

The twelfth death sentence this year was passed yesterday by the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions when PRITAM SINGH, 38, private watchman, was found guilty by a jury of the murder of another watchman, Kesar Singh on the morning of June 11 at Queen's Rd. Central, in front of the Central Market. This was the 13th trial on a capital charge since January.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. L. R. Whant.

Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, was for the defence.

The jury members empanelled were Messrs W. Pirene (Foreman), Lee Shu-kai, J. A. Parrish, P. Wong, A. J. Raptis, Chan Shu-ke, and Hual Tuck-chung.

Mr. Williams said that accused was employed by the Cheong Koo money-changers of Queen's Road Central, and the deceased by the Wing Hing bank, also in Queen's Road Central.

Counsel said that there had been ill-feeling between deceased and accused since 1939 when the latter took on a job which deceased had lost. Nothing happened until the beginning of this year when accused and deceased were heard exchanging words of abuse. It was known, Counsel said, there was a feeling of enmity between the two.

HANDS REVOLVER

Referring to the morning of the shooting, Mr. Williams said accused, in accordance with his duty, was handed a revolver and 12 rounds of ammunition at 7 a.m.

Several shots were heard and accused was seen by different witnesses to fire a number of shots at Kesar Singh outside the Cheong Koo shop.

Constable D123, Chan Shu-sang, who heard the shots, went to the scene and saw accused walking forward slowly with a revolver in his hand. He saw accused fire two or three shots at deceased who was on the ground. He jumped forward and wrenched the weapon from accused.

Kesar Singh was sent to Queen Mary Hospital and though he was operated on immediately, died later in the day.

Dr. D. A. Smith deposed that the cause of death was due to shock and haemorrhage due to perforating bullet wounds in the abdomen and other bullet wounds.

Giving evidence, Pritam Singh said that deceased, after having a conversation with Talok Singh, another watchman, came from behind and caught hold of him. Deceased seized his revolver butt. He also put his hand on the butt and in the ensuing struggle two shots went off. He had been assaulted by deceased four times before and he was afraid of him.

Asked by his lordship if it was his defence that one of the five shots was fired during the struggle and with the finger of deceased on the trigger, and the others were fired when the revolver was in his possession, accused agreed that it was.

THE SUMMING-UP

After addresses by Counsel, his Lordship, summing-up, said that the whole of the Crown's case was that the attack on deceased was deliberate and unprovoked.

Mr. She, his Lordship said, had suggested that there was provocation but he found it hard to deal with as accused himself had suggested no such provocation. If he was relying on taunts of a few months ago, in law, his Lordship said, nothing of that sort could possibly amount to provocation.

No word or gesture could constitute provocation sufficient to reduce homicide to manslaughter.

If an armed man, continued his Lordship, entered into a contest with an unarmed man with the intention of availing himself of his revolver, and if he did that, that would amount to murder. If he did not enter with the intention of using his revolver the question then would be that he used it in the heat of the moment in consequence of the struggle that would justify the returning of a verdict of manslaughter.

After a retirement of half-an-hour, the jury returned a verdict of guilty of murder. They acquitted with their verdict a recommendation to mercy on account of a probability that there had been some provocation on the part of deceased.

Before passing sentence, his Lordship told accused that he would see that the recommendation is forwarded to the proper quarters.

The jury was exempted from duty for two years.

Committee To Study Colony War Taxation

His Excellency the Governor has appointed a Committee to advise on the practicability of replacing the existing system of War Taxation by an Income Tax and, if so, on the measures necessary to this end; and alternatively, to advise on any revisions of the existing War Revenue legislation which may be considered necessary to ensure that higher incomes bear their full share of the burden of War Taxation.

The Committee consists of the following members:—

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. (Chairman);

The Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd;

The Hon. Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, Kt.,

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson;

The Hon. Mr. D. J. Sloss, C.B.E.;

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, C.B.E.;

The Hon. Mr. Li Tse Fong;

The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Jr.;

The Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas, Tam;

Professor R. Robertson,

E. M. Bryden, Esq.;

L. Kadoorie, Esq.;

Kwok Chan, Esq.;

T. Black, Esq.;

A. G. Clarke, Esq.;

C. van Langenberg, Esq.;

Mr. K. M. A. Barnett (Secretary).

EXEMPTION FROM INTEREST TAX

The Governor-in-Council has granted exemption from Interest Tax on interest payable by the following companies on Consumers' Deposits held by them:—

The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.

The Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd.

The China Light and Power Co., Ltd.

The Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.

194 DEATHS FROM T.B.

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ending at midnight on Aug. 16:—

Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Cholera, 39 cases, three imported. (21 deaths); Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, 46 cases (33 deaths); Enteric Fever, 14 cases (12 deaths); Tuberculosis, 287 cases (four imported, 194 deaths).

MONDAY'S RETURNS

The returns for the 24 hours ending at midnight on Aug. 18 is as follows:—Cholera, seven cases; Dysentery, 10 cases; Enteric Fever, nine cases; Tuberculosis, 48 cases.

DEATH OF FORMER PUPIL OF C.B.S.

News has been received in the Colony that Pilot Officer Leslie Richard Evans, R.A.F., former pupil of the Central British School (1922 to 1928) crashed whilst landing in England after returning from a bombing flight and was killed with three others.

This is the third former pupil of the Central British School who has given his life in the present war. In addition, one is missing and another is a prisoner of war.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced at the Registry, Supreme Court:—

Mr. Theodore Wilfred Paul Aycock, clerk, of No. 11 Caroline Hill Road, top floor, and Miss Estella Maria Conceicao de Costa, of No. 23 Kwong Ming Street, top floor.

Mr. Fung Chun-she, accountant, of No. 403 Queen's Road West, third floor, and Miss Sung Yui-ching, 62 No. 303 Queen's Road West, second floor.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

MURDER CHARGE

On the application of Det.-Sgt. N.E. Fraser, Chan Leung alias Chan Sai, 22, odd job coolie, Yung Hon-chi, 22, coolie and Yung Sze-ki, were formally remanded one week by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., when they were charged with the murder of Yung Wing-pan on July 31.

WIDOW DISCHARGED

Appearing on remand, Ng Ma-lai, widow, was discharged by Mr. Sheldon. She was charged with the larceny of a camera, two rolls of film and a mariner's certificate from Albert S. Frain, of the Douglas Steamship Company.

ALLEGED SNATCHER

Wu Chui, 22, unemployed, was remanded by Mr. Sheldon, when he appeared on a charge of larceny from the person of a wrist watch valued at \$14, at Leighton Hill Road near Lee Theatre, property of Chan Ming 19, spinster, of No. 34 Village Road, first floor, on Aug. 18.

Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison, prosecuting, stated while complainant was walking along Leighton Hill Road and near Lee Theatre on the day in question at about 2.30 p.m., accused came from behind and snatched the wrist watch from her hand. She gave chase and accused was arrested by a Chinese constable.

REMANDED

Chan Shu-ko, 23, unemployed, was remanded 24 hours for further enquiries by Mr. G. T. Lowry when he was charged with the larceny of \$70 from Tam Yuk-wan at the Luk Hoi Tung Boarding House on Aug. 18.

Defendant pleaded guilty.

HEARING FIXED

Hearing of the case in which Man Liang-sing, unemployed, is charged with the larceny of 27 suits of stage costumes valued at \$2,400, has been fixed for Thursday by Mr. Lowry.

Accused was alleged to have stolen the costumes in question by a trick from Chan Bun, at the Ng Chow Hotel, No. 70 Connaught Road, Central.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo is appearing for the prosecution.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION

Charged with unlawful possession of an electric bell and a callboard at Robinson Road on Aug. 18, So Ping, unemployed, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Accused had five previous convictions.

Sgt. White prosecuted.

SOLDIERS COMMITTED

Herbert Edward Mayhew and Joseph James Toms, both of the R. A. M. C., were committed for trial by Mr. Lowry in connexion with the alleged rape of a girl, Chan Hol, on the hillside above Bowen Road, near Gap Road, on July 23.

Mayhew was charged with raping and Toms with aiding and abetting.

The accused were remanded in Military custody until they appear for trial.

The accused reserved their defence.

Insp. J. O'Donovan prosecuted.

NO EVIDENCE

Chan Tang, 31, appearing before Mr. Sheldon, on the charge of having, together with others, not in custody, murdered Chung Ngau alias Chung Kwok-hing, at First Street, on July 14, was discharged as Insp. C. T. Byron offered no evidence against the accused.

CONVICTION REGISTERED

Convicted on the charge of larceny of \$1.50 from Wong Ngau, 30, widow, Tsui King, 18, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon.

It was stated that while complainant was walking along Hennessy Road on Aug. 18, accused knocked her hand causing her to drop the money on the ground. The money was alleged to have been picked up by two other persons not in custody.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

STOLE CLOTHING

Sentence of one month's hard labour each was imposed upon two unemployed, To Man-ying, 23, and Poon Yung, 20, by Mr. Sheldon when they were convicted on the charge of larceny of eight pieces of clothing valued at \$25 from house lot No. 2378, Pokfulam Road.

The complainant was Miss Lee Chin, 18, spinster, of Red House, Lot No. 3378, Pokfulam Road.

Insp. J. R. McWalter prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

JUVENILE SNATCHER

With two previous convictions, a 16-year-old Chinese boy was sentenced to nine months' hard labour when he was convicted by Mr. H.C. Macnamara yesterday on the charge of snatching a wrist watch from Wai Chi-ming, spinster, in Nathan Road, on Monday.

Sgt. J. G. Whitcroft prosecuted.

INDECENT EXPOSURE

Charged with indecent exposure by bathing in the Gascoigne Road nullah, at 2 p.m. on Monday, Lui Po, a coolie, was fined \$5 or one week's hard labour, when he appeared before Mr. Macnamara.

POLISH STOWAWAYS

A remand of 24 hours was granted by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson in the case in which Gerszel Apfeibaun, Pole, was charged with stowing away and with vagrancy, and Szepsel Lewin, Pole, was charged with stowing away and with entering the Colony without a valid passport.

ASSAULTED WIFE

For assaulting his wife by hitting her on the head with a iron bar, Wan Kwai, a machine maker, was bound over in the sum of \$50 for one year by Mr. Anderson.

According to Sgt. T. Collins, who prosecuted, defendant met his wife, Lai Chi, in Sai Yee Street at 10 p.m. on Monday and accused her of going out with other men. He produced an iron bar and struck her on the head.

The woman, said Sgt. Collins, accused the man of having failed to support her, financially, for the past three months, while the man alleged that the wife had been absent from home every night for some time past.

D. O. SOUTH

POSSESSION OF ARMS

A further remand of one week in police custody was granted by Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday in respect of Chan Shu-ko, 30, temple-keeper of the Tin Hau Temple, Fan Lan, on Lantau Island, charged with possession of arms and ammunition without licence or lawful excuse for the same.

Police claim that defendant had in his possession one rifle, three muskets, three shotguns, 29 rounds of rifle ammunition and 53 rounds of shotgun ammunition at the Temple on Lantau Island about three weeks ago.

BOUND OVER

Wong Tse-tak, 20, an unemployed man, of Tsing I Island, was

Chinese Revenue Officer Accused Of Assault: 11 Complainants

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Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ appeared for the complainants, Wong Yee-koo and Wong Fung, married women, and Tsui Sam, Wu Yim, Chak Muk, Lo Chiu, Luk Pan, Tang Kwai, Chan Wah, Tsui Yiu and Kung Leung.

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She was, alleged witness, grabbed by her jacket by defendant and pushed against a nearby pillar. She was also struck several times, and, at random by the Chinese revenue officer, said witness.

On the following day, continued Wong, she again went to the depot and saw defendant striking the people around there with a rattan cane, and later, with a bamboo pole. Whistles were blown resulting in the arrival of a Police party.

The whole party, including witness, and defendant went to the Police Station from where witness was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for examination.

Cross-examined, witness agreed that June 24 was the first day on which Revenue officers were

bound over on a sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour for an year when he appeared for sentence on a charge of larceny before Mr. Balfour. He had previously pleaded guilty to the larceny of a metal wrist watch from the coolie quarters at the Symplex Plaster Works, Tsun Wan, which he had pawned for \$2.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 6/NS. 9889 dated Hongkong, 29th October, 1940, for seven shares of this Bank numbered 63580/63582 and 7976/7979 in the name of Mrs. Ethel Muriel Dowling, Certificate No. 6/NS. 9890 dated Hongkong, 29th October 1940 for two shares of this Bank numbered 7980/7981 in the name of Mr. Wilfred Murray Theobald, and Certificate No. 6/NS. 9891 dated Hongkong, 29th October 1940 for seven shares of this Bank numbered 7982/7987 and 60985 in the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Lyona Lancaster have been LOST or STOLEN, and should these certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 13th September, 1941, new Certificates for the shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. 6/NS. 9889, 6/NS. 9890, and 6/NS. 9891, will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 13th August, 1941.

JAPANESE SHIPPER FINED \$25

Described in court as the manager of the N.Y.K. Company, Singapore, Asahiko Yamada, a Japanese, was fined \$25 and the costs of a summons when he admitted a charge of removing dutiable goods—544 cases of firecrackers—from a ship, without a permit from the Comptroller of Customs and Excise.

"I overlooked the procedure and I am sorry. This is the first shipment of firecrackers we received since the regulations came into force," said Asahiko Yamada when he pleaded guilty. He added that the cases were for transshipment.

Outlining the facts, the prosecuting officer said that the regulation came into force in April, 1940.

On July 2, this year, the inward war duties manifest of the S.S. "Tottori Maru," which arrived in Singapore from Yokohama, on July 1, was presented at the Customs head office. In the manifest there was an item for 544 cases of firecrackers of various marks and numbers consigned from Hongkong via Singapore to Bombay.

On July 2, the boat sailed away and on July 14, as no permit had been taken out for the disposal of those goods, a query was sent to the N. Y. K. on July 21. A request for a permit to remove the firecrackers from the S.S. "Tottori Maru" into lighters was then received.

As the new regulations required a transshipment permit to be taken out for dutiable goods, a summons was taken out.

Convicting Asahiko Yamada on the charge, Mr. Kenneth M. Byrne, the fourth magistrate, fined him \$25, and also the costs of the summons (50 cents).

The present population in Kweichow is 270,400, including 100,146 males and 110,840 females, according to official statistics.

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RUSSIAN FRONT

THE NINTH WEEK of the fighting on the Russian front was heralded by the now well-known German pincer movement—one arm working from the north in a desperate effort to include Leningrad in its move and the other encircling the Southern Ukraine. In the north, there is evidence that the Russian resistance to the German drive along the railway to Leningrad is still strong and proving a great obstacle to the enemy, who has made but little progress. In the south, however, the German advance has undoubtedly gained ground. Here, M. Stalin evidently decided to lose the industrial areas of the Ukraine and to order the Russians to move back to the eastern bank of the Dnieper. Marshal Budenny is reported to be carrying out this withdrawal with great skill, despite the German attempts to turn this retreat into disorder. The chances are that the Marshal will be able to carry out the move successfully and that he will then be able to reorganise his defence with the strong reinforcements that are waiting for him there.

DESCRIPTIVE details of the fighting here indicate that the Russians have carried out their scorched earth policy very thoroughly. On the line of the German advance to Kiev, for instance, there are said to be only five bridges over the Dnieper and the Red artillery and air force are making it almost impossible for the Nazis to repair these. The Southern Ukraine drive by the Germans, however, renders the position of Odessa on the Black Sea critical. The town was still reported to be in Russian hands yesterday, but there is not much advantage that the Germans can gain from its capture at the moment. No one knows what the strength of the Russian Black Sea fleet is, but it is confidently expected that it will provide a serious threat to the German occupation of Odessa. Taken altogether the Germans are still no nearer their final objective and it is certain now that the campaign will extend well into the winter, by which time the help Russia is to get from Britain and America may well put a different complexion on the fighting.

GERMAN LOSSES

THE MOST significant feature about this campaign is the huge sacrifices which the Germans have made with such a little to show as gains. From the beginning of the attack on Russia, the figures of losses inflicted by both sides appeared to have been exaggerated. This exaggeration, it has been subsequently proved, was very much greater on the German side, particularly in reference to their own losses. An American writer now estimates that the Germans have lost far more in men and material than the Russians. According to him, reports obtained from German sources with great difficulty show that the

CO-OPERATIVE TREASURIES IN CHINA

The phenomenal growth of China's co-operative enterprises is shown by the large number of existing co-operative treasuries which extend loans to finance such enterprises.

According to latest statistics there are 366 co-operative treasuries scattered in various parts of Free China. Szechwan, leads with 116. Kweichow stands second with 56 and Kwangsi ranks third with 54. Chekiang has 36, Hunan 26, Kansu 20, Shensi 18, Hupeh 10, Sikong 10, Kiangsi nine, Yunnan nine and Fukien 2.

The Farmers Bank of China, the Bank of China, the Bank of Communications and many local banks and co-operative administrations have established such treasuries under them.—(Central News).

ANOTHER SHANGHAI SHOOTING

CHUNGKING, Aug. 19 (Central)—An attempt was made by a gunman on the life of Pan Heng-teh, proprietor of the Dai Wu Tai, a theatre in the International Settlement in Shanghai, yesterday afternoon.

Pan was coming out from the theatre when he was fired upon and wounded by a bullet but his life is in no danger. The gunman killed a policeman after an exchange of fire with him.

The attempted murder is believed to be due to personal grudges.

SHANGHAI-NANKING TRAIN DERAILED

CHUNGKING Aug. 19 (Central)—A freight train on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway was overturned on Saturday at Anting, 20 miles northwest of Shanghai, where the rails had been torn up, according to a Shanghai report.

Trains could not pass through yesterday as repairs had not yet been completed. Passengers had to change trains at the spot.

It is believed that the sabotage was done by Chinese mobile units.

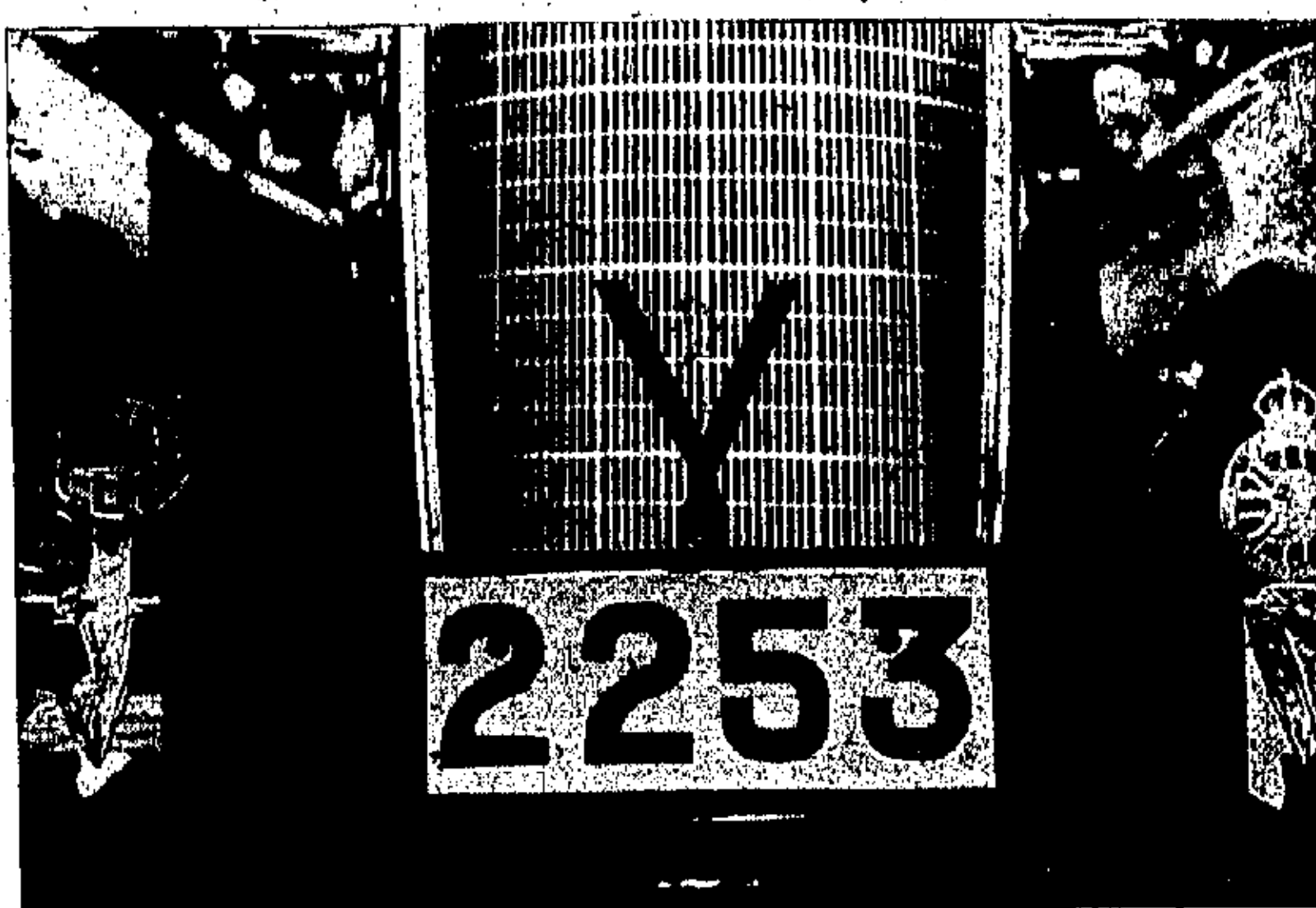
SIR V. SASSOON LEAVES

Sir Victor Sassoon, the well-known Shanghai financier, left the Colony yesterday for Manila and Singapore.

Nazis lost 40,000 men a day in the first week, when Herr Hitler flung his men into battle in a desperate attempt to bring the campaign to a successful conclusion in a fortnight or three weeks. The resolute resistance of the Soviet troops, however, completely wrecked these hopes and, on a conservative estimate, the Germans must have lost more than a million men to date.

WHEN the meagre German gains are taken into account, it is impossible to say that this huge sacrifice of life has proved worthwhile, particularly when nearly 1,000 planes and between 700 and 800 tanks have to be debited against the invaders. The result is that while none of the more important objectives for which the Germans have been striving have yet fallen completely into their hands, their time-table is badly behind schedule and with the time factor working against him, Herr Hitler has launched his fourth desperate offensive in what is now considered a futile attempt to end the war before winter sets in. There is no denying that the Russian losses too have been very heavy, but what they have achieved in holding up the German advance on a 1,500-mile front for over eight weeks is ample compensation. That resistance is still unbroken and the Germans will find it no easy matter to convince their people that everything is still going "according to plan."

"V" CAMPAIGN SPREADS IN H.K.



The "V" campaign, an appeal for which was made in these columns recently, is well under way in Hongkong. The owner of this car, with the "V" sign prominently displayed, was we understand the first to adopt the sign soon after the campaign was inaugurated by Col. Britton.

REAL AIR SUPERIORITY BEING BUILT UP IN THE MIDDLE EAST

"Lots of things are happening in the Middle East—for one thing we are building up our air force there and American help is proving enormously useful," said MR. PETER MASEFIELD, air correspondent of the SUNDAY TIMES, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"American fighters and bombers are doing very well round the Mediterranean area as the enemy has good reason to know," he continued, "and some of the newest British planes have also arrived in the Middle East."

The speaker then referred to a recent raid carried out by the R.A.F. on Sicily in which these new machines had taken part, as a result of which thirty enemy planes had been left smoking on the ground.

LESSONS LEARNED

"All these reinforcements to our fighting strength means that the Middle East Command can turn to the attack now and that it is carrying the war to the enemy day and night," said Mr. Masefield. "All this building up of the air force here is based on the foundations of the two successful campaigns in Abyssinia and Syria. These two campaigns have proved to be useful training ground for our air and ground crews."

"Let us look at the Abyssinia campaign for a moment. There, as you know, the British and South African air forces drove the Italians right out of the sky. But, I suppose, few people realise just how small were the number of our planes on that job. We never had more than 190 planes in Abyssinia. On the other hand, more than 300 Italian planes were destroyed in that campaign."

"When new machines arrive, we can hope to go forward to greater things. We have learnt many lessons—one of them is operating from a high level. Another thing is that the ground crews have learned to work in the most primitive surroundings."

"All through this campaign in Abyssinia, the British air force worked in close co-operation with the ground forces and as the ground forces went forward, the Italian morale went bad."

Mr. Masefield said that he would particularly like to drive that point home that ground forces deprived of air support are at a great disadvantage.

VALUABLE TRAINING

"The Syrian campaign also taught us many lessons," went on Mr. Masefield. "American aeroplanes showed up very well, among these being the Maryland bombers and the Curtiss and Tomahawk fighters. The Tomahawk was in action for the first time and proved effective in every way. And yet in this whole campaign the British losses were only 22 planes compared with 81 Vichy machines."

"These campaigns have cleared up dangerous areas of

resistance and what is more they gave value training to our squadrons in the air and on the ground. Most important of all we have showed the enemy once against the superiority of our machines in action. Even when we were out-numbered we have come off well. Now that lesson is going to be driven home more thoroughly."

REAL SUPERIORITY

"Now the Middle East Command is building up real air superiority. The Germans in Africa have not found things nearly so straight-forward as they imagined. They run into a packet of trouble. They have never been used to operating in tropical climates for any length of time. We have had a deal of experience of that sort."

"There is one other aspect of these operations and that is the work being done by the Fleet Air Arm. Fighters and bombers of the Royal Navy are keeping our sea lines clear."

"Slowly, but very surely, the command of the air is being won in the Mediterranean. There is a long way to go yet and a lot of hard fighting to be done, but the British air force is ready to get on with their job," concluded Mr. Masefield.

GROWING UNREST IS SEEN IN NAZI-OCCUPIED COUNTRIES OF EUROPE

"So much is happening in the Nazi-controlled countries of Europe in these momentous days, that it is becoming more and more difficult to know where to lay emphasis, but undoubtedly the most conspicuous recent event is the declaration of policy made by the Vichy Government last week," said MR. CYRIL LAKIN, the well-known B.B.C. commentator, when he broadcast from London on Monday.

"There was no great surprise at the declaration," said Mr. Lakin. "However, there is one thing I do find very interesting about the lame attempt to justify it made by Marshal Petain in his broadcast.—And that is the information it gave about the real France."

THE TRUE FRANCE

"In that true France lives people whom it will take a long time to conquer into accepting the new German order. The people will be able to get additional strength for their resistance now when they realise how far their liberties have been interfered with."

"There are to be no political meetings, public or private—that is to say no Frenchman dare discuss the destiny of his country even with his friends, because if he dares to discuss politics he will be treated as a criminal."

"The effect of this measures is to increase the growing hatred of true France to Nazi domination," continued Mr. Lakin, who went on to say that an article written by a French officer who had just reached England in which he said that factory workers in France had their own methods of going slow with work they were ordered to do by the Germans. The walls of buildings every night were covered with the letter "V" and underground activities were proceeding without pause against the Germans.

GROWING UNREST

This French officer related how French women threw stones and shouted out "traitors" when French troops returned from Syria. There were also incidents connected with the building of planes and the officer described occasions on which a plane had taken to the air and in a few minutes lost its propeller.

All this showed how quickly unrest was growing in France, said Mr. Lakin and mentioned that reports were daily reaching Britain of demonstrations being staged against the Germans and their puppets at Vichy.

"Marshal Petain told the people that the measures he had announced were intended to save them from themselves," continued Mr. Lakin.

"We cannot imagine anything the true French people want more now than to be saved from the men of Vichy." Mr. Lakin next referred to similar conditions which had arisen in other parts of occupied Europe. In Norway, for instance, there was good ground for believing that the unrest immediately following on certain emergency decrees issued by the Germans had strengthened almost to the point of open revolt. According to a Swedish newspaper, the proclamation issued by the Germans would only tend to intensify rather than diminish this unrest in Norway.

SABOTAGE TECHNIQUE

In Holland, the Germans and their Quislings were for ever complaining of the slowness of the Dutch people to recognise the Nazi regime and to carry out orders given to them and in Belgium the technique of sabotage was more highly developed than anywhere else.

Like the Belgians, the Czechs were learning from the experience of the last war to carry out underground activities against the Germans. The spirit of revolt was rising in Czechoslovakia.

"The more this unrest in occupied Europe grows, the greater strain it will put on the conquerors," said Mr. Lakin, "and the more difficult it will be for the conquerors to enslave these countries whose people they have not been able to reduce to submission."

AUSTRALIAN DIPLOMAT FOR CHUNGKING

Mr. J. K. Waller, First Secretary of the Australian Legation in Chungking, arrived in Singapore today en route to Chungking to arrange the establishment of the Legation.

Interviewed Mr. Waller declared, "The Australians are genuinely anxious for closer relations with China. We feel sure that Australia can learn a great deal from China and much will be gained by closer relations between the two countries."

TRIBUTE TO WORK OF LATE LORD WILLINGDON

AUGUST 19, (Reuter)—A tribute to the work of the late Lord Willingdon in connexion with the Boxer Indemnity Fund was paid this morning by Mr. Han Lin-wu, Secretary-General of the Boxer Indemnity Board.

"There are many achievements to the credit of the late Lord Willingdon, and not the least was the part he played in the return of the British 'Boxer Indemnity Funds,'" said Mr. Han.

"Lord Willingdon visited China in 1926 as Chairman of the Delegation from the Boxer Indemnity Committee, and presented a very able report which laid down the principles on which the British Boxer Indemnity Funds could best be used."

"It would be fitting that, at an appropriate date, some way should be found permanently to record Lord Willingdon's services in determining an equitable disposal of these funds."

NEWGETTES

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Photographic Society was held at Cafe Wiseman yesterday evening.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K. O. M. G. dined last night with the General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, Major General C. M. Maltby, M. C., at Flagstaff House.

Commissioned by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Huang Yen-pel, Secretary-General of the War Bonds Promotion Committee, left yesterday for Hongkong, by plane en route to Manila to promote the sale of war bonds among the overseas Chinese in the Philippines.

Chungking Police Academy Praised By Commissioner

Speaking of his visit to the Police Training Academy in Chungking during his visit to China's wartime capital some weeks ago, the Hon. The Commissioner of Police, MR. J. F. PENNEFATHER-EVANS, told the Hongkong Rotary Club yesterday that he had been greatly impressed with the potentialities of the modern police in new China.

He was taken to the Academy, Mr. Pennefather-Evans said, by Mr. Yukon Feng, Director of Police Administration of the Ministry of Interior at 7 a.m. on a Saturday morning.

The Academy, together with two other political Police Training Academies, is under the direct control of General Dai Li, who is the head of all the police in China including the political police.

He was shown round the academy, Mr. Pennefather-Evans said, by the Dean, Mr. Li Ssu-chen.

POLICE DOGS

"It is the most up-to-date police training school that I have visited anywhere," the Hon. The Commissioner of Police said. "Not only do they train police officers there, but they also train police dogs and police carrier pigeons."

Besides the ordinary class rooms, I found there an excellent Police museum and scientific laboratories. All the latest technical aids to crime investigation are taught there. There is a model fingerprint bureau containing prints of all the officers under training, which is used for instructional purposes.

"There is also a photographic bureau for instruction in photography. There is an electrical laboratory in which experiments were being carried out in making electrical apparatus for police use; wireless experiments are likewise being carried out in this laboratory."

"There is a laboratory devoted to comparison of bullets and another for the purpose of examination of fibres and hairs, as well as an ordinary chemical laboratory used for blood tests and other scientific tests in crime and criminal investigation."

"All the latest scientific instruments are represented there and used for demonstration and instructional purposes. I was greatly impressed with a specimen mirror from the back of which it was possible to observe through the mirror without being observed."

"As General Dai Li pointed out to me in a subsequent conversation, all his officers are rightly instructed in the use of these various scientific aids to the detection of crime, but a successful criminal investigator is born and not made."

"Successful crime detection is achieved by hard and monotonous work, by an infinite capacity for taking pains and by common sense, and although scientific instructions, intelligently used, are at times a great aid to investigations, they can never be substituted for the qualities I have mentioned."

"I was most hospitably entertained during my short stay at the Academy and left with a very real sense of the potentialities of the modern police in new China."

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

A telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received to the effect that it is the desire of His Majesty the King that Sunday, September 7, being the first Sunday following the second anniversary of the outbreak of war, should be observed as a National Day of Prayer.

AMAZING TRANS-ATLANTIC JOURNEY OF CHURCHILL AN OPEN CHALLENGE TO HITLER

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Escorted by destroyers of the Royal and Royal Canadian navies, the giant battleship, Prince of Wales, has reached a British port and thus ended the Prime Minister's amazing journey. I was in one of the British destroyers which formed the escort and never once did we sight any hostile craft, either in the air, in the sea or beneath, writes Reuter's Special correspondent with the Royal Navy.

It was truly an amazing voyage—amazing in the first place in the significance that the Prime Minister should travel across the Atlantic and hold a series of conferences with President Roosevelt, and in the second place that he should return in a blaze of publicity.

Officers aboard our destroyer scratched their heads and looked at me for an explanation when they heard over the ward-room wireless that Mr. Churchill was returning in the Prince of Wales.

It seemed to us that an open challenge had been issued to Hitler to do his worst, for here we were, many hundreds of miles out in the Atlantic, with all the dangerous U-boats infested waters still to go through—but it was a challenge that was never taken up.

ATLANTIC RENDEZVOUS

It was a glorious afternoon as we sailed out of the naval base to keep the rendezvous with the Prince of Wales somewhere in the North Atlantic, and at that time no one but the captain of the ship knew the importance of the task ahead.

Early one morning, some days after leaving the naval base, we sighted a smudge on the horizon and as we approached it we could see through our glasses the immense outline of a giant battleship, flanked on both sides by Canadian destroyers.

The great ship was truly a noble sight, plunging through the Atlantic swell and throwing up great clouds of white spray as she dipped her bows in the waves.

We approached from head on and as we swooped to take our position there was a sudden flurry of destroyers all round the ship. In a very few minutes we had taken our position and were zigzagging with the other war ships.

During the afternoon Catalina flying boats patrolled the air over us and one of them reported a large convoy some 50 or 60 miles ahead, bound for Britain.

The Prime Minister had never seen a large convoy at sea, so with a slight alteration of course we made towards them. After two or three hours we could see the convoy on the horizon. It was an incredible sight. As far as I could see, there were ships, tankers, freighters, supply ships, big ships, little ships and ships of every conceivable sort, all loaded to the waterline.

NOVEL VISIT

They were ranged in lines—over eight miles of ships. Around them scurried their escort of corvettes and former American destroyers keeping the stragglers in line and always ready for the possible approach of danger.

We steamed straight towards them and then passed straight through the middle of the convoy. Each of the Prince of Wales' escorts chose its opening among the ships and as we

dashed through the lines of merchantmen we could see that they realised who it was paying them this novel visit, and we saw men running to hoist the V signal in flags, while others stood on the decks waving and cheering.

The Prince of Wales was a proud sight. She had cocked all her 14-inch guns to their highest levels, and if Mr. Churchill was thrilled it was nothing to the excitement among the vessels of the convoy. We steamed on for about two miles ahead of the convoy and then the Prince of Wales and her escort turned round and once more we all went through the lines of plunging ships.

If there had been enthusiasm before, it was nothing to what greeted us the second time. Every merchantman had had time to hoist flags and the crews lined the rails, waving their hats and shouting. We wished them God Speed and then resumed our original course which was to bring us to Iceland.

DAY IN ICELAND

We stayed one day in Iceland during which the Prime Minister reviewed the British and American troops, and that evening we sailed again for a British port.

Earlier in the day in which we met the convoy, the Prince of Wales carried out a practice shoot with her anti-aircraft guns, watched by the Prime Minister and his party.

She first fired a smoke shell which exploded into a compact ball of smoke high in the sky and, using this as a target, she let loose with her guns, plastering the area round the ball of smoke with exploding shells.

This was followed by a barrage of fire, using every anti-aircraft gun aboard. The battleships side seemed to be constantly flaming, so great was the rate of fire and the air all round her was black with exploding projectiles.

It seemed unbelievable that one ship could put up so devastating a barrage.

On the journey from Iceland to Britain there was nothing to tell. With her escort screening her, the Prince of Wales, plunging ahead at speed, reached home safely after a most astounding trans-Atlantic voyage.

ROUSING WELCOME FOR CHURCHILL

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At the conclusion of official formalities, Mr. Churchill walked down the long platform, arm in arm with his wife, and, as he passed the engine, raised his cap in greeting to the driver and fireman.

TERRIFIC CHEERS

Terrific cheers swelled round them as they crossed the station approach to their car, and the Prime Minister repeatedly raised his cap in acknowledgement before entering the car to drive to Downing Street.

Most of the naval, military and air advisors who accompanied Mr. Churchill on the journey, returned to London with him.

Prominent among them was General Sir John Dill, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, who conversed lengthily at the station with General Pownall before driving to the War Office.

Mr. Churchill did not drive to the front entrance of his official residence, No. 10, Downing Street, but entered by a side door. There were few people about.

Shortly before 10 a.m., Mr. Attlee, who had been Acting Premier during Mr. Churchill's absence, arrived at Downing Street by car and entered No. 11.

A few minutes later, Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, entered the Foreign Office.

LOSES NO TIME

Mr. Churchill lost no time in

JEWS REPLACE CHINESE IN HOTELS

SHANGHAI, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Four hundred German-Jewish emigres, both men and women, are employed by the management of the Cathay Hotel, the Cathay Mansions and the Metropole Hotels, three of the largest in the city, to take the jobs of the striking Chinese.

The Hotel management considers the strike ended. Three thousand Chinese workers walked out yesterday after 12 employees of the Cathay Mansions were arrested for allegedly trying to instigate a joint strike with the French Club.

The twelve arrested are believed to be the leaders of the Nanking-sponsored Hotel Workers' Union.

Shanghai Business Standstill

SHANGHAI, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—BUSINESS REMAINED AT A VIRTUAL STANDSTILL TODAY pending clarification of the foreign exchange situation.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank merchant selling rates for legitimate imports remained at 3-5/32d., and not 3-3/32d. as erroneously reported yesterday, and 5 5/16 United States cents.

However, little business was possible pending clarification of what constitutes legitimate imports.

Meanwhile, business was done unofficially in U.S. Dollars at rates between 4-13/16d. and 5-1/16d.

JAPAN & FOREIGN WAR MATERIAL

TOKYO, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The Government spokesman told foreign correspondents at a press conference this morning that Japan cannot remain indifferent to foreign war material shipments to neighbouring countries.

The statement was made when the spokesman was asked to comment on reports of possible United States war aid shipments to Vladivostok.

MOBILISING WOMEN FOR WAR WORK

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Compulsory powers will, if necessary, be used in mobilising women for war work and choice of occupation will be more restricted, said Mr. Ralph Asquith, Parliamentary Secretary to the Labour Ministry, announcing in London yesterday a firmer policy regarding women in war work.

Axis Insinuations On Anglo-U.S. Declaration Discounted By Facts

LONDON, Aug. 18.—Axis propaganda has been attempting the last few days to discredit the Roosevelt-Churchill Declaration by means of derogatory comparisons with the famous 14-points made by President Wilson.

The following facts, however, clearly discount the Axis insinuations:—

1. While the 14-points was purely an American declaration the declaration on Aug. 14, 1941, was made jointly by Britain and America thus ensuring the complete unity of purpose of the two great Anglo-Saxon Powers.

2. Britain today is not as she was in 1918 tied by prior and conflicting commitments in the form of secret treaties.

3. The 14-points was largely concerned with the creation of a new States following on the disruption of pre-war empires. It was therefore largely devoted to questions of frontiers. The Roosevelt-Churchill Declaration is concerned with restoring the sovereign rights and self-government of existing States which have been the victims of aggression. It, therefore, concentrates on general principles and not frontier questions which will not be the main issue in future settlements.

ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

4. In common with other recent British and American statements, e. g., President Roosevelt's four freedoms, the declaration pays particular attention to economic problems (paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Declaration) and the idea of freedom from want in paragraph 6. This shows a realisation of the basic role played by economic well-being in a lasting settlement—a realisation of which there is little trace either in President Wilson's 14-points or in the settlement that was based on it.

5. In the 14-points, paragraph 4 called for a general reduction of armaments. The Roosevelt-Churchill Declaration takes on the far more realistic view that right principles must be backed by the force required, and in paragraph 8 that in the first stage aggressors alone shall be disarmed until a more general system of security can be worked out.

6. In general, the weakness of the 14-points lay largely in the fact that the Anglo-Saxon Powers were not ready to ensure their full implementation. There is every indication by a greater readiness this time on the part of both Anglo-Saxon Powers to jointly accept the responsibilities of leadership which victory will put on them.

U.S. AIRCRAFT FOR MIDDLE EAST

FERRY-SYSTEM TO SPEED DELIVERY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt disclosed yesterday that the delivery of aircraft to the British forces in the Middle East would be speeded up through a ferry-system conducted by Pan-American Airways.

This organisation will ferry aircraft from the United States to West Africa and from thence to the Middle East.

Pan-American is establishing an air transport service from Africa to the Middle East and plans are under way for a similar service from the United States to Africa. It was stated at the White House that Government-owned planes operated by American personnel would be used.

Delivery would not pass through the actual warfare zone nor is the location of the African terminus disclosed.

The White House announcement described the new system as providing "direct and speedy delivery" of aircraft from the "arsenal of democracy" to the critical point in the front against aggression, adding that the importance of this direct communication line to strategic outposts in Africa cannot be overestimated.

MR. MENZIES AND LONDON VISIT

The Australian War Cabinet met yesterday in Canberra, says Reuter.

Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister, said that he was not prepared to go to England unless all Parties were agreeable to this step.

SHIPMENTS TO SYRIA AND LEBANON

SHANGHAI, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The British Embassy announces that shipments to Syria and Lebanon will, in future, not require navicerts unless they will be shipped via Iran or Iraq in which case, navicerts should be applied for in the usual way.

The shippers are warned, however, that a strict import licensing system has been introduced by the Syrian and Lebanese authorities and the issue of navicerts is merely an indication that H. M. Government have no objection to goods being sent, via the Persian Gulf, and must not be taken as meaning that import-licenses have been granted, or are not needed.

Syria and Lebanon were declared to be no longer enemy-occupied territories as from today.

SENTENCE ON HAYASHI

NAGASAKI, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Yukichi Hayashi, 69, who shot and wounded Mr. W. J. Kerwick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, Mr. Issaku and Mr. Okamoto, Councillors, and others at a Race Course meeting on Jan. 23, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labour.

However, according to a semi-official Japanese report, the sentence was suspended for one year by the Nagasaki Appellate Court to which Hayashi appealed against the decision in the Lower Court.

Measures To Prevent Social Disintegration

MONTREAL, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Measures must be taken on a vast scale in order to prevent social disintegration, unjustified suffering and lasting loss of man-power after the war, says a 12,000-word memorandum on post-war goals issued by the INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE here.

Reports are being submitted to the I.L.O. conference in New York in October, when the entire field of post-war social problems will be surveyed.

The document stresses the need for compulsory sickness insurance for all groups of workers not yet covered, such as agricultural and domestic, and places emphasis for the necessity for guaranteeing a definite purchasing power, preferably through a system of compulsory insurance for elderly or invalid workers.

The report recommends substantial improvements of living conditions, especially housing, promotion of health and productivity amongst younger age groups through the facilities granted to the parents of large families, and economic for demobilised men and their rehabilitation.

"The time for half-measures is past," the document declares. "No nation, however abundant its resources under the ground, can continue to waste its man-power with impunity."

RUSSO-GERMAN WAR

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by German aircraft but only one machine managed to penetrate Moscow's outer defences.

FOUGHT WAY OUT

How a Red Army unit, cut off by the enemy, fought its way out and inflicted considerable loss on the enemy, is told in a supplement to the Russian communique, says Reuter.

The unit, commanded by Gen. Zagorodnov when cut off, operated for 20 days in the rear of German troops and forced their way to the territory held by the Red Army.

"Preserving their equipment, the Red Army men strove to cause the enemy the greatest possible losses. They mercilessly exterminated groups of German soldiers they met, destroyed transports, batteries, truck columns and headquarters, and killed 240 Fascist soldiers."

"The commander of the unit and the political commissar led out of encirclement 620 Red Army men, including 25 wounded, without losing a single gun, machine-gun or rifle."

The supplement also tells of the rough handling of two Nazi battalions by another Russian unit.

commanded by Major Bashmagov. It says that Major Bashmagov's unit, supported by two artillery batteries, attacked the enemy near a village.

The Germans hurled tanks and armoured cars into a counter-attack.

A Russian bomber squadron commanded by Captain Comakins took off to bomb German machines. Fighting between enemy machines and Soviet aircraft lasted an hour and a half and ended in a defeat for the Germans.

Sixteen German machines were destroyed. Panic broke out in the German ranks.

In this fighting, Major Bashmagov's unit inflicted heavy losses upon two German Infantry battalions. About 500 Germans were killed and wounded and 120 taken prisoner, while the booty taken included seven tanks.

SAIGON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—After a 24-hour delay due to a typhoon, the second detachment of Japanese troops, reported to number slightly less than the first convoy, began disembarking at Saigon yesterday.

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375 JAPANESE LEAVE MANILA

TOKYO, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The Manila correspondent of the Nichi Nichi Shimbun reports that 375 Japanese evacuees, women and children, have sailed from the Philippines, yesterday afternoon aboard the French liner Marchal Joffre.

The party includes the staff of the Manila branch of the Ishihara Industrial Company which has suspended business due to export control and the freezing restrictions.

A CORRECTION

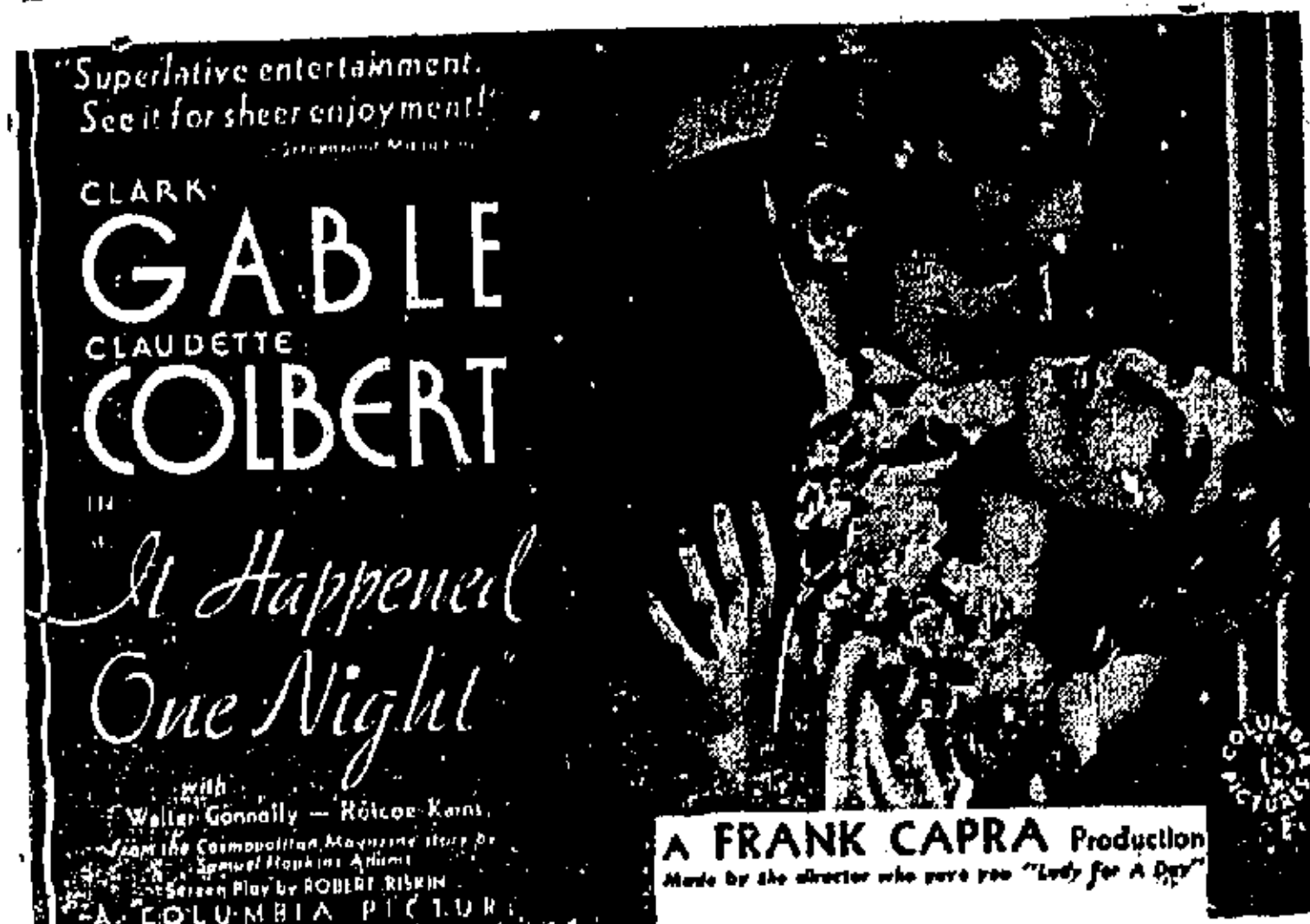
Through an unfortunate inadvertence on our part, the name of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, was mentioned in a Reuter cable from Shanghai, referring to the report that Mr. H. J. Archibald, British publisher of the Central China Post, had been the object recently of two unsuccessful kidnapping attempts.

The error is regretted and we apologise to Sir Archibald for any inconvenience this confusion of names might have caused him.

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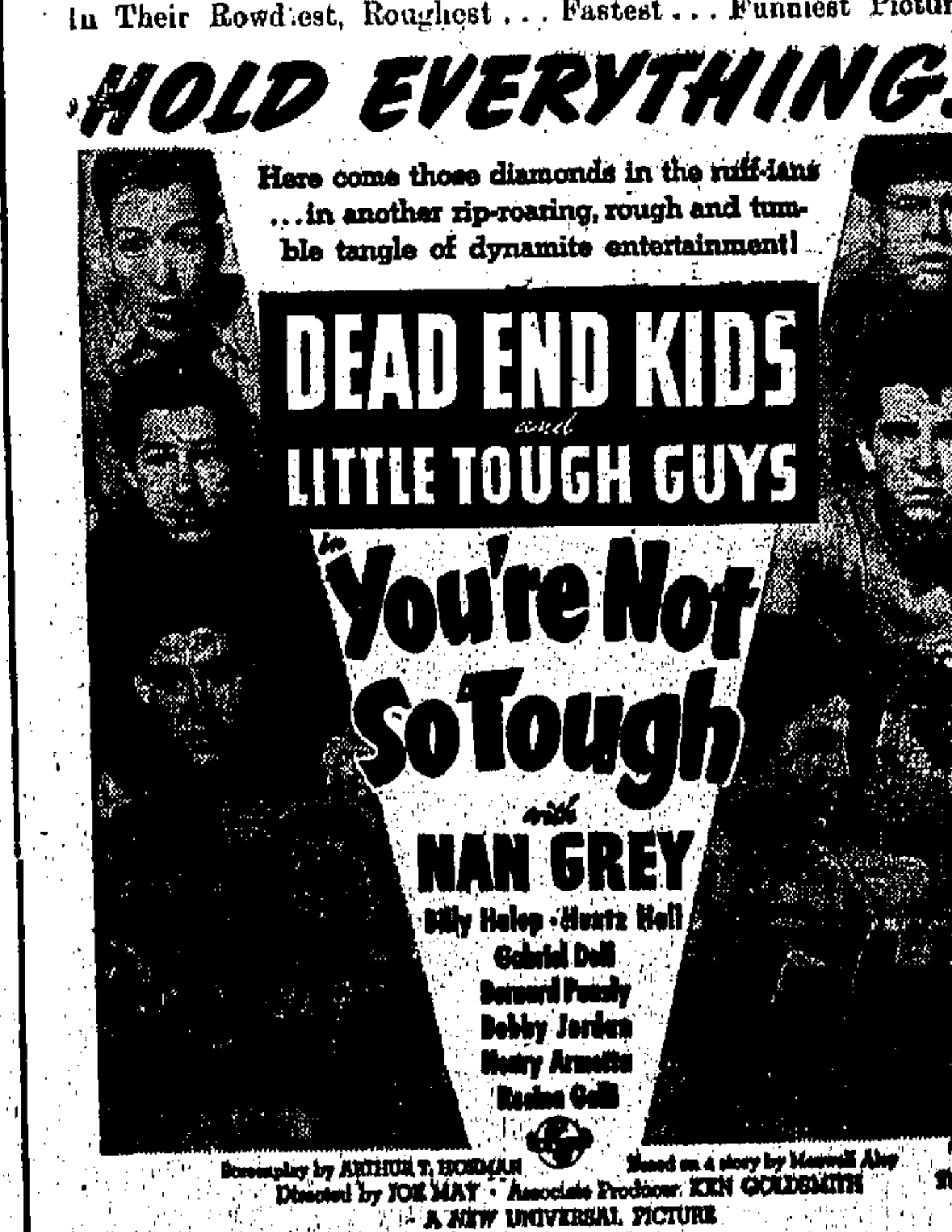
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20—Tides: High 7.49 a.m. and 10.02 p.m.; Low 1.31 a.m. and 3.22 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.02 a.m.; Sunset: 7.51 p.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club Meeting, 6.20 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
European Y.M.C.A. War Work, 9 a.m. to noon.
21—Tides: High 8.27 a.m. and 11.32 p.m.; Low 2.23 a.m. and 5.56 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.02 a.m.; Sunset: 7.51 p.m.
St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.
St. Andrew's Club Social, 8.45 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin, St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.
Furcwell Party and Presentation to D.A.R.P. European Y.M.C.A. 8.30 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, Land Office, Ping Shan, 11.30 a.m.
Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.
Ladies' Knitting Party (B.W.O.P.), Helena May Institute, 9 a.m. to noon.
22—Tides: High 9.24 a.m. and 11.47 p.m.; Low 3.07 a.m. and 4.32 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.02 a.m.; Sunset: 7.51 p.m.
St. Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship "Get To-gether" Evening, 8.45 p.m.
Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis.
Lecture: H.K.V.D.C. Nursing Detachment, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.45 p.m.
23—Tides: High 10.11 a.m. and 11.17 p.m.; Low 3.49 a.m. and 5.07 p.m.
Schools' Swimming Gala, V.R.C. Pool, 9 p.m.
Claims against estate of late Dora Anderson due.
Massed Band Concert H.K. Cricket Club Ground, 9.30 p.m.
H.K. Lawn Bowls League, 2 p.m.
Baseball League Matches Chatham Road.
24—Tides: High 10.57 a.m. and 11.49 p.m.; Low 4.34 a.m. and 5.41 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 9 p.m.
25—Tides: High 11.44 a.m. and 12.27 p.m.; Low 5.17 a.m. and 6.17 p.m.
26—Tides: High 12.32 a.m.; Low 6.07 a.m. and 6.49 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m. (Closed Meeting).

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NEW VARIETY & DANCE MUSIC PROGRAMME

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 "Hits from the Shows."

"Cochran's 1931 Revue"—Any Little Fish (Noel Coward) — Noel Coward (Bartone) with Orchestra. "The Dancing Years" — The Long Year Waltz (Novello) — The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra. "Careless Rapture"—Music in May (Novello-Hassall)—Dorothy Dickson (Soprano) w. Orchestra. "Balalaika"—The Magic Of Your Love (Kahn, Grey, Lehar)—Nelson Eddy (Bartone) with Orch. "Nobody's Baby (Davis)—Oscar Rabin and His Band. "Babes In Arms"—I'm Just Wild About Harry (Sisler, Blake)—Judy Garland (Vocal) with Orchestra. "Down Argentine Way"—Two Dreams Met: Down Argentine Way (Warren — Gordon) — Oscar Rabin and His Band. "East Side Of Heaven"—That Sly Old Gentleman (Monaghan)—Bing Crosby (Vocal) with Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Smokey Mary: Cherry-Bob Crosby and His Orch. Tangos—Vilja Amiga: Carnaval De Mi Barrio — Mercedes Simcoe and Her Tipica Trio. Fox-Trot — I Hear A Dream (Come Home Again): Quick-Step — Bluebirds in the Moonlight (From film "Gulliver's Travels") — Jack White and His Collegians. Swing Fox-Trots—Nobody Knows The Way I Feel Dis Morning: Old Man Blues — Sidney Bechet & His New Orleans Feetwarmers. Waltz — When Penelope Prim Passes By—Lew Stone and His Band.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Prokofiev — Peter and The Wolf (Orchestral Fairy Tale).

Serge Koussevitzky and The Boston Orchestra, Narrator: Richard Hale.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 "He Wanted Adventure" — Musical Comedy.

Bobby Howes and Company with Theatre Orchestra conducted by Joseph Tunbridge.

7.22 Albert Sandler (Violin) and His Orchestra.

Souvenir D'Ukraine: Black Eyes — Russian Impression (Petrakis).

Spanish Serenade (Johnny Heykens).

La Tosca — Fantasia (Fucini) — arr. Tavan; Down In The Forest (Sir L. Ronald). Fstadianina (Waldteufel).

Waltz; Dolores (Waldteufel) — Waltz. Allegro (Flocco, arr. Bent & O'Neill); Pale Moon — Indian Love Song (Logan, arr. Kreisler). Sandler Minuets—Intro: Mozart Minuet in E Flat; Bizet Minuet from "Arlésienne"; Boccherini Minuet. Handel "Berenice Minuet; Beethoven Minuet in G; Mozart Minuet and Trio; Divertimento No. 17.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post: Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 A Light Irish Programme.

An Irish Symphony—Scherzo (Sir H. Hart). Sir Hamilton Hart conducting The Halle Orchestra. Kathleen Mavourneen (Mrs. J. Crawford—F. Crouch)—Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra. Londonderry Air (Sir H. Hart). The Halle Orchestra cond. by Sir Hamilton Hart. A Little Irish Dash of Dublin (From "Fog of Old Drury")—Anna Neagle (Soprano) with Orchestra. Rakes Of Clonmel—Jig — Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano. When Paddy McJinty Plays The Harp—Fox-Trot—Music That Wins by the McFarland Twins. Mason's Apron—Reel—Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano. What'll I Do If I Marry A Soldier—Music That Wins by the McFarland Twins.

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 New Variety & Dance Music Vocal — Maria Elena—Dick Todd (Bartone) with Orchestra. Fox-Trots — Boy Scout In Switzerland; Peach Tree Street—Milt Herth Trio. Conedion — The Army Joins Vic Oliver; Vic Oliver Joins The Army — Vic Oliver. Fox-Trots — To You, Sweetheart; Pretty Red Hibiscus—Ray Kinney (Vocal) with Dick McFarlane and His Harmony Hawaiians. Vocal — Mexican Magic (From film "Moon Over Burma") — Dorothy Lamour w. Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Aurora; The Monkey On A String—Vaughn Monroe and His Orchestra. Vocal — Nobody (From film "Strike Up The Band") — Edens; I L-Love You So (Heyman Jacobson)—Carroll Gibbons at the Piano. Fox-Trots — A Little King Without A Crown; The King Is Still In London—Joe Loss and His Orchestra.

9.45 — 10.00 News in French (On Short Wave only).

9.45 Strauss—Till's Merry Franks. The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Fritz Busch.

10.00 London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Studio — Our Letter From Free China.

10.30 Dellore—Sonata No. 2 and "In A Summer Garden."

Sonata No. 2—L'onel Tertle (Viola) and George Reeves (Piano). In A Summer Garden—The London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Thomas Beecham.

11.00 London—"Britain Today."

Discussion by Sir Frederick Whyte and Bernard Darwin.

11.5 Close Down.

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NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary 5.00 p.m.

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Full Bulletin 8.00 p.m.

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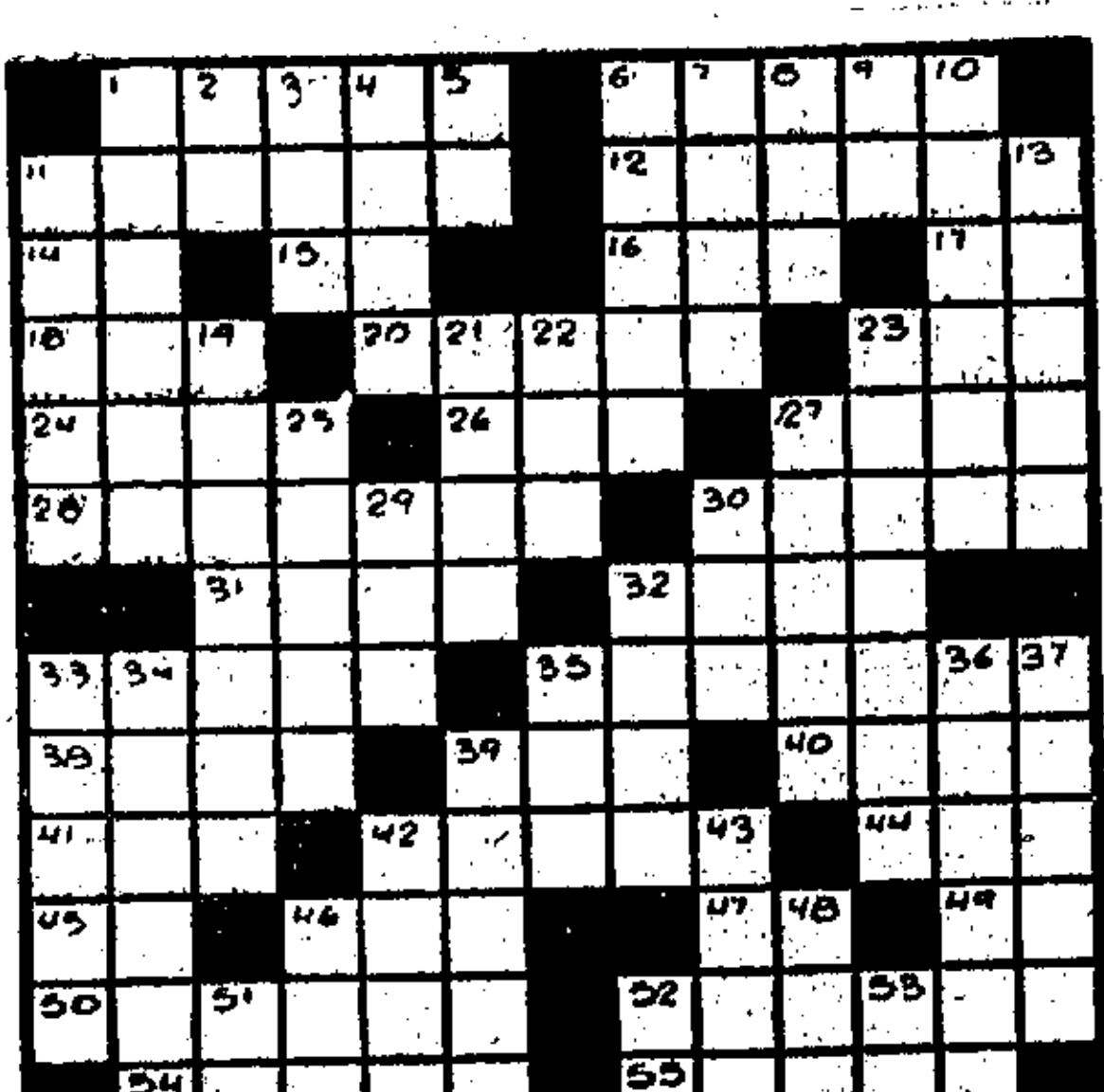
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- 32 Whimper, as a complaining child
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- 41 Sea eagle
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DOWN

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XMAS PARCELS FOR WAR PRISONERS

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister of New Zealand, Mr. Peter Fraser yesterday visited the busy London packing centre of food parcels for British prisoners of war and saw Christmas parcels being wrapped and dispatched.
Each of the 72,000 parcels contains pudding, a double ration of

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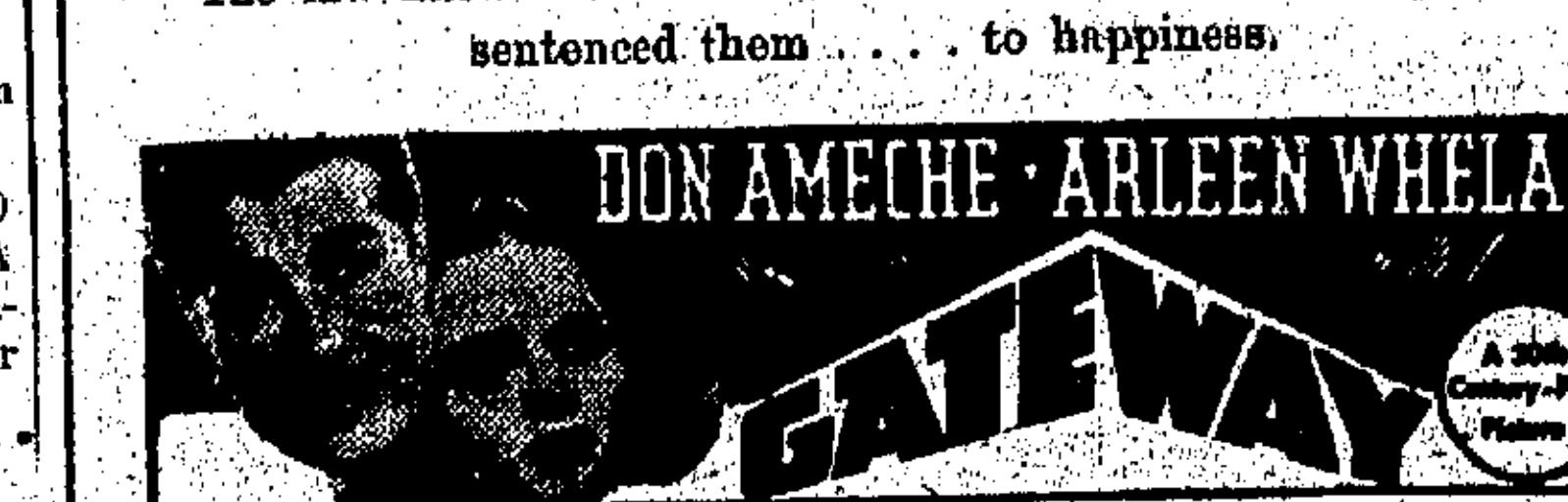
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YOU'RE NOT SO TOUGH

Universal is taking the Dead End Kids and Little Tough Guys off the city pavements away from the gang-criminal-police-problem environment and is experimenting with them in the realms of acting. The picture is "You're Not So Tough," and showing today at the Majestic Theatre. It isn't as Dead-Endish as it sounds, for it refers to the main character, played by Billy Halop, who discovers his armor-plated toughness is only a thin veneer covering a soft heart which he never suspected he possessed. The director, Joe May, and the associate producer, Ken Goldsmith, are presenting the kids, Halop, Huntz Hall, Gabriel Dell, Bernard Punsky and Bobby Jordan as boys at a loose-end rather than at a dead-end. They are seen as itinerant crop workers, following the harvests up and down the state of California, working when they must but mainly relying on their wits and a pair of loaded dice for their sustenance. Nan Grey, Halop, Hall, Rosina Galli and Henry Armetta have the featured and leading roles. As entertainment, "You're Not So Tough" rates as one of the best things the group has ever done, for the story is unique, the trials and settings are new, and the action is fast and exciting.

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Nazis Start New Drive In The Direction Of Leningrad

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The latest reports indicate that a new German thrust is developing north of Lake Pelpus from the Estonian frontier in the direction of Leningrad, writes "Annalist." It is not yet possible to estimate the strength of the German push which may be part of a concerted movement with the Finns who are also showing activity around Kexholm.

There is comparative quiet around Smolensk and many reports speak of indications that the Germans are digging themselves in in this region. They have certainly desisted from the costly efforts to smash through which were features of the first six weeks' fighting.

At Kiev too, conditions are more or less static and the two arms of the great pincer movement have been stationary at Korosten in the northwest and Byelaya-Tserkov in the southeast.

TENACIOUS RESISTANCE

The weight of the German drive has been transferred to the southern Ukraine but the armies of Marshal Budenny have not been cut off and are still clinging tenaciously to some positions in the bend of the Dnieper River.

It is too early to say whether the Germans will try to exploit their successes here and try to force the Dnieper with view to threatening the Don coal basin. Any such movement with large Russian forces still undefeated on the left flank of the advance would be a venturesome proposition. It is more likely that Hitler will fling in his sorely tired troops against the central sectors in the hope that these sectors will have been weakened by the despatch of help to Budenny. But such speculation is pure guesswork.

JAPANESE TOLD TO LEAVE PENGARANG

SINGAPORE, Aug. 19 (Central).—Japanese residents in Pengarang District, southern Johore, have been informed that they must move out of the area. The action was taken under the new regulations prohibiting Japanese to reside within 10 miles of the defence areas.

Japanese residents in Singapore are at present not affected by the order.

BERLIN CLAIMS DNEIPEP RIVER REACHED BY NAZI TROOPS AFTER FORCED MARCHES

Great Industrial City Of Dneipropetrovsk Threatened

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The Dnieper River was reached on Sunday morning by German infantry units, who had made forced marches, according to the official German news agency, but no indication of the location is given.

The claim states that the infantry had the support of tanks and artillery and that "small Soviet rearwards which attempted to hold them off were overwhelmed."

German guns are now stated to command a stretch of the river, preventing the withdrawal of Soviet troops.

A Nazi High Command spokesman in Berlin last night said that the German troops from Krivoirog had reached the Dnieper 80 miles to the east and were advancing towards the great Soviet industrial city of Dneipropetrovsk.

These two announcements presumably refer to the same operation.

The spokesman added: "The Soviets are tough in their resistance but one day they will no longer be able to resist the enormous German pressure. Already one can predict that despite their seemingly inexhaustible supplies of men and materials, the will to victory of the German soldiers will bring final success for German arms."

The official German news agency also reports that the "remnants" of four Soviet infantry divisions were wiped out by a Nazi pincer movement in the Nikolaiev area yesterday. The Soviet troops, it says, were trying to break through to a road in German hands. They made a last stand along a railway embankment, which is said to have been piled with Russian dead.

HUNGARIAN CLAIM

The report makes no mention of any Russian prisoners being taken but a Hungarian claim issued in the communiqué last night refers to several thousand prisoners and considerable booty from the battle ground of Nikolaiev.

The communiqué says: "Since the fighting on August 8, our troops advanced between 120 and 150 miles along the River Bug to take part with the German forces in the battle round Nikolaiev. Our motorcyclists caused heavy losses to an enemy superior in numbers who fought fiercely while our cavalry checked all his attempts to break out."

FORCES JOINED?

According to a Stockholm message to the Italian news agency quoted by Rome Radio, it is claimed that German troops advancing along both sides of Lake Pelpus on the Estonian frontier have joined the forces to the north.

The Russians in Estonia, it is stated, are thus cut off by the Germans in the 30-miles wide neck of land between Lake Pelpus and the Baltic.

NOTHING DECISIVE

The situation in Russia has changed slightly to the advantage of the Germans and the occupation of Nikolaiev on the estuary of the River Bug can be claimed as a success. Nevertheless, it is only a local one. They have gained nothing decisive, writes Reuter's Military commentator.

Without knowledge of the facts it is not possible to say how it was that the Germans could bring superior forces to bear on the southern end of Marshal Budenny's line, for we have had sufficient evidence now to feel sure that without superior numbers on this local battlefield the Germans could not have driven back the Russians so far as they have.

It looks, however, as if the Nazis on the left of Marshal Rundstedt's army in the direction of Kiev have been firmly held and that their attacks were repulsed. The Germans seem to be equally held on the roads to Moscow and Leningrad.

RUSSIAN STRATEGY

The Russian's strategy is probably governed by such questions as: Are their divisions in reserve which are still fresh, fully equipped or must they wait a while before they can be provided with the full equipment necessary for battle? And how long will it take to concentrate them at certain points and bring them forward to launch the great counter-attacks which must be delivered, and be successful, before the Germans can be driven from the soil of Russia?

It is these questions which should decide how long the Russian Command is prepared to fight, delaying actions and battles of exhaustion before it considered that the moment has arrived for assumption of the offensive.

Ideas of strategy in many countries, with the exception of Germany, have been vitiated by the cult of the defensive and of the merit often concealed under that more imposing word prudence. Far too much stress has been laid on the value of fortified lines of defence and of natural obstacles, while the real defence of a country is never sufficiently recognised or stressed.

That real defence lies in men and their leaders. "It is men and not walls who are the defences of a city," said the Romans of old.

TIME FACTOR

Marshal Budenny's strategy and indeed that of the whole Russian Army is probably dictated not by the defence of obstacles, natural or artificial when full use may be made of such, but the necessity of gaining time and the importance of wearing out the Germans.

If such are the principles underlying the strategic conceptions of the Russian Command, Marshal Budenny is not likely to be falling back to the line of the Dnieper because it is the next obstacle to defend but because he is not ready to deliver the counter-attack which will drive back and destroy his enemy.

A counter-attack of the scale necessary to achieve that much to be desired object may not be ready for some weeks, perhaps some months, or quite possibly not until after the Germans have been exposed to all the rigours of a winter campaign in Russia while Europe is rising in revolt behind them.

We cannot at present fix a date for such a stroke but it may be taken for granted that such is being contemplated and prepared.

GENERAL DENTZ STILL HELD

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Nothing is known in London of reports by the Lyons Radio of a protest by the Vichy Government regarding alleged attempts to take over French troops in Syria, writes Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

In any case, the Syrian Armistice terms provide that these men shall have the liberty of opting to join the Free French forces.

Vichy has protested against the detention of General Dentz but until Britain is satisfied that all British prisoners who were removed from Syria have been returned to British lands, there is no likelihood of any change in the British attitude in regard to this matter.

A number of prisoners have already been returned from France but details are lacking as to how many are still being detained.

Roosevelt Has Conference With Key Men In Congress

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt yesterday summoned to the White House key men in Congress connected with foreign affairs to give them a full account of the international situation.

Those who assembled in the President's study included the Vice-President, Mr. Henry Wallace, Senator Albin Barkley, Senator Tom Connally, Senator Walter F. George and Representative Sol Bloom.

They are expected in turn to explain to President Roosevelt the latest developments in the legislative situation.

President Roosevelt gave his Congressional lieutenants a picture of the dramatic Churchill-Roosevelt talks and also discussed further Lease-Lend appropriation.

Senator Barkley, leaving after 90 minutes, told reporters that the meeting was "very interesting" but confidential. He disclosed that the question of further Lease-Lend appropriation was discussed and that the Japanese situation was mentioned only casually.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

SINGAPORE, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Major-General Sir Ivan Mackay, newly appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Home Forces, arrived here yesterday on the way to Australia. He said that everything was well in the Middle East, conditions were improving and that the troops were ready for a new fight wherever it might be.

TOKYO, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Commodity exchange throughout Japan have decided to disband because of the international situation and the increasing Government control.

BOMBAY, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Lord Linlithgow, the Viceroy of India, left yesterday for Simla thus concluding his three-week tour of the Madras and Bombay Presidencies. The purpose of this monsoon tour was to renew contacts and inspect the progress of the war effort in these Presidencies.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The former Commander of Iraqi royal bodyguard and a number of army officers suspected of complicity in the Raschid Ali revolt have been placed on the retired list, according to a Baghdad telegram. A military court has been set up to try offenders who took part in the rising.

SINGAPORE, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Japanese living in the large defence area in the southeast corner of Johore have been given notice to leave within 14 days. It is believed that more than 50 persons are concerned, most of them being rubber estate proprietors and mine-owners.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has signed a Bill exempting men over 28 from military service.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—The French Consul here has resigned stating that he could not represent a government which is now under German domination.

NO COMPULSORY CENSORSHIP

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—When asked if President Roosevelt had approved the recommendation of the Navy and Army chiefs for compulsory censorship of all communications in and out of America the President's Secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, declared that the President was unaware of the existence of any such Bill.

Mr. Early added that the President could not imagine the source of such a report except that it was the Wilhelmstrasse or someone in America who thought more of Germany than he did of the United States.

U.S. ARMY SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt yesterday signed the Army Service Extension Bill which thus becomes law. The Bill extends military service for selectees (conscripts) National Guardsmen and reservists by 18 months, making a service period of two and a half years.

Manhattan Shaken By Explosions

TWO KILLED AND 55 SERIOUSLY INJURED

NEW YORK, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Numerous explosions that shook lower Manhattan yesterday accompanied a raging fire which broke out at the East River wharf where British ships are loaded with supplies for Britain and Egypt.

Observers said that the explosions apparently occurred in a number of heavily laden barges. The Coast Guard and fire boats raced to the rescue.

Two people were killed and 55 people were injured—some feared fatally—in the fire. Clouds of dense smoke swept the Wall Street district as lunch-hour crowds poured out from offices.

FREIGHTER ENGULFED

The fire which began with a series of explosions, sending flames 125 feet into the air, engulfed the Cuba Mail Line pier at Brooklyn, set an American freighter and several laden barges aflame and threatened to spread to a nearby pier used by British ships.

The American freighter Panuco, laden with quicksilver, minerals and hemp, caught fire, was cut loose and drifted off blazing from stern to stern. A flaming barge was cast adrift and floated lazily down the river while fire-boats threw tons of water on it.

Five fire alarms were received at the Brooklyn Fire Station, from which firemen sped to keep the blaze from spreading to the pier where almost daily British ships load supplies.



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DEFENSIVE "ZONES" IN INDO-CHINA

TOKYO, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—"Two or three minor problems" remain to be settled regarding Japanese troops sent to Indo-China, according to Major-General Sumita, head of the Japanese Military Mission in Indo-China.

He stated yesterday that he will shortly discuss these problems, which include the allotment of defensive "zones" between Japanese and French troops, with Admiral Decoux, Vichy Governor-General.

GENERAL GASETT AND S'PORE

VICTORIA (British Columbia), Aug. 19 (Reuter).—"We are extremely strong in Malaya. Any attempt to take Singapore would be a very heavy undertaking," declared Major-General A. E. Gasset, C.O.C. of the British Forces in China for the past two years, in an interview here on his arrival from Hongkong.

Major-General Gasset added: "It is my considered opinion that unless she becomes really desperate Japan will not be so rash as to fight Britain or the United States."

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Allegheny Steel Co.	23 1/2	Kennecott, Copper	38
Allis Chalmers	28 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	27 1/2
Amer. Can.	82	Lockheed Aircraft	27 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	39 1/2	Loew's Inc.	34 1/2
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Amer. Locomotive Co.	21 1/2	Montgomery Ward	33 1/2
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Columbia Gas & Elec.	23 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	13 1/2
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Copperweld Steel	15 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	42 1/2
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30 Rails	30.41	30.41	.02 up
30 Utilities	18.31	18.31	.08 up
30 Bonds	90.79	90.79	.02 off
30 Commodity Index	78.60	78.60	.21 off

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EXCHANGE CONTROL COMMITTEE

CHUNGKING, Aug. 19 (Central)

—Dr. T. F. Tsiang, Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan, announced at the Press conference yesterday that an Exchange Control Committee was formally inaugurated on Aug. 13 in accordance with the currency agreements between China and the United States and Britain, calling for an operative agency to conduct the operations of the stabilization fund.

The Committee has 15 members. They are Dr. H. H. Kung (Chairman), Mr. K. P. Chen, Mr. O. K. Yui, Mr. Jian Chen, Mr. Tsuyee Pei, Mr. Hsi Teh-mou, General Wu Te-chen, Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, Mr. Hsu Kan, Dr. Chang Po-ling, General Ho Yao-tsu, Dr. T. F. Tsiang, Mr. Y. C. Koo, Mr. Lee Tao-nan and Mr. K. K. Kwok, Mr. Lee Tao-nan is Secretary of the Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. K. P. Chen, Mr. O. K. Yui, Mr. Jian Chen, Mr. Tsuyee Pei and Mr. Hsi Teh-mou form the standing committee.

The standing committee will meet weekly while the whole Committee will meet monthly.

Dr. Tsiang said that the operations of the Currency Stabilisation Board and the Exchange Control Committee will be guided by the agreements and exchange of letters between the three countries.

KWEICHOW TO HAVE SUGAR FACTORY

KWEIYANG, Aug. 19 (Central).—The Kweichow Industrial Corporation is planning to establish a sugar factory. Sugar-cane produced in

JAPANESE TRADE WITH N.E.I.

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).

Quoting a statement received from an official source, the Batavia radio denies a Domei statement that new trade talks between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies have been opened and that resumption of normal trade relations was expected within a week.

The announcer said that Japan was continually endeavouring to dispel the impression created by the Democracies' action in freezing Japanese assets when Japan occupied Indo-China.

The Netherlands East Indies, according to an official source, considered the occupation of Indo-China by Japan as a direct threat to the N.E.I. and it goes without saying that all exports which would constitute aid to Japan's war economy would not be in the interests of the N.E.I. and will, therefore, not take place.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Aug. 18 (Reuter).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £267-5/8.

Tin, Standard, 3 Months, Middle Price, £260-5/8.

Market quiet. More pressure to sell for cash enabled consumers to effect some scale-down buying but three-months sellers were more reserved. After hours—20 tons 3 months at £260-1/2 paid and buyer.

The Pan River valley will be used as raw material.

Hilbert Kweichow's sugar has been imported from Szechwan and Kwangsi.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

LOSING QUOTATIONS

AUGUST 19, 1941.

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London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credit 4 months' sight	
Shanghai:—	
On demand	46 1/2
Singapore:—	
On demand	52 3/4
Japan:—	
On demand	102 1/4
India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	82 5/8
and demand	
New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 15/16	
Credit, 60 days' sight 25 5/8	
Batavia:—	
On demand	48 3/4
Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credit 4 months' sight Nom.	
Salon:—	
On demand	106
Manila:—	
On demand	49 7/8
Bangkok:—	
On demand	148
Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate	Nom.
Silver per oz.	23 7/16

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Aug. 19.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 7/16 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to October, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Selling rate to Merchants at 25 1/16.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Nominal at 470.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Official rate to Merchants for Sterling at 3 1/2 and U.S. Dollars at 5 1/16.

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Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Aug. 19 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening	0/3-5/32
London	5-5/16
New York	unquoted
Japan	17-1/2
India	unquoted
Paris	unquoted
Hongkong	21

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 24-1/4 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Aug. 18 (Reuter). Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee. 98-0-0.

AMERICAN TRADE IN N. CHINA

TIENTSIN, Aug. 19 (Reuter).

American businessmen in North China are volunteering the fullest information regarding their respective holdings such as furs, bristles, etc. to the American Consulate.

Consular officials are compiling this information for a double purpose, firstly registration of data, and secondly in order to seek possible relief through Washington and perhaps lodge representations regarding goods dumped at various ports while in transit, some of which have been lying in Kobe since May.

N.Y. Commodity Market

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

Previous

New York, Aug. 18.

	Close	High	Low	Close	Change
N.Y. Cotton, Oct.	16.09	16.11	16.04	16.10	.01 up
N.Y. Rubber, Sept.	22.47 1/2				
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	off
Chicago Corn, Sept.	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	off

NEW YORK COTTON

Closing Ranges Changes

Oct.	16.10/10	.01 up
Dec.	16.28/29	.01 up
Jan.	16.28 N	.01 up
Mar.	16.39/39	.02 up
May	16.39 N	unch.
July	16.34 N	.01 up

Saturday's sales:—30,100 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER

Trading suspended

NEW YORK HIDES

Dec. 14.40b/48a .08 off

Total sales:—7 lots.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Sept.	11 1/2/11 1/2	1/2 off
Dec.	11 1/2/11 1/2	1/2 off
Mar.	11 1/2/11 1/2	unch.

Saturday's sales:—9,472,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

Sept.	7 1/2/7 1/2	1/2 off
Dec.	8 1/2/8 1/2	1/2 off
Mar.	8 1/2/8 1/2	1/2 off

NEW YORK LARD

Sept.	9.82a	.05 up
Dec.	10.15b	.04 up

NEW YORK BLACK PEPPER

Sept.	5.90b/07a	.08 off
Dec.	6.05b/07a	.08 off

NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL

Sept.	11.90b/95a	.02 up
Dec.	11.97b/91a	.08 up

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

Trading suspended

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

Sept.	1.65/65 1/2	.02 up
Dec.	1.71 1/2/72	.04 up
Mar.	1.77 1/2/78	.05 up

Business done:—270 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA

Sept.	7.48n	.09 up
Dec.	unrecd.	

NEW YORK WOOL GREASE

Dec.	92.5b/93.0a	.1 up
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4	
N.Y./London Cross Rate	4.03-1/4	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).

The Stock Exchange yesterday was generally firm with renewed investment demand, mainly for gilt-edged securities, home rails and leading industrial shares arising out of the Government call-up of certain Canadian securities.

Among the industrials, Court-audits, Woolworth and Jewellers recorded useful gains while shipping shares went further ahead. Cape support was responsible for rises among speculative Kaffir favourites.

South American rails continued to be firm but Japanese bonds tended to be easier.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Aug. 18 (Reuter). Silver—Market quietly steady. Spot, 23-7/16d.

Forward, 23-7/16d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Aug. 18 (Reuter).

Market—Quiet. Offered 100 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 17 Settlement 62-12-6

Sept. 17 Settlement 62-13-0

Oct. 14 Settlement 62-13-0

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, Aug. 19, 1941.

SALES

China Lights (O)	158	\$ 0.00
China Lights (N)	188	1.30
Comments	500	15.00
China Providents	500	0.10
H.K. Electric (O)	500	22.00
	50	22.00
	200	22.00
H.K. Electric Rts.	100	11.25
H.K. Hotels	420	3.50
H.K. Tramways	200	17.25

*Sale on Monday, 18th inst.

The total value is \$36,408.40.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

The following quotations are the

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market in London. All quotations

are subject to confirmation and no

responsibility is assumed for errors

in transmission.

£

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red. after 1952) 105-3/16 |

Defence Loan, 3% 101 |

Canton-K'loon Ry. 5% 13 |

Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) 47 |

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 1925/47 45 |

Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 45 |

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912 30 1/2 |

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 38 |

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 1925 (Vickers) 10 |

Chin. Imperial Ry. 5% Loan 57 |

Homan Ry. 5% 1908 14 |

Hukuang Ry. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue) 15 |

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Sterling.....£ 6,500,000
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Reserve Liability of
Proprietors.....\$20,000,000

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Paid-Up Capital.....5,698,600.00

Reserve and Undivided
Profits.....2,993,261.50

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VESSELS SUNKThree Enemy Fighters
Also Shot Down

LONDON, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Three German patrol vessels were bombed and sunk off the Dutch coast by Royal Air Force Blenheim bombers yesterday afternoon, according to an Air Ministry communiqué.

"Two attacks on objectives in northern France were made by other Blenheims which were accompanied by strong fighter escorts," continues the communiqué. "An industrial plant at Lille and other targets were bombed. Fighter escorts destroyed three enemy fighters, while other fighters carried out a sweep over the coast of northern Brittany and attacked the aerodrome and enemy troops with cannon and machine-gun fire.

"From these operations three aircraft—all fighters—are missing."

DOVER SWEEPS

The Royal Air Force is believed to have made another daylight sweep across the Straits of Dover yesterday.

At one point of the south-east coast early yesterday afternoon, a considerable force of fighters and a number of bombers were seen to cross the coast travelling towards the sea.

One group, a big formation of fighters, broke away and made a sweep before following the other fighters out across the Straits.

There was a considerable amount of cloud but also specks of bright sunshine and a blue sky over the Channel and off the French coast.

FLEET AIR ARM
RAID SYRACUSEConsiderable Damage
Done To Shipping

CAIRO, Aug. 19 (Reuter).—Considerable damage is believed to have been done to shipping at Syracuse by the Fleet Air Arm raid on Saturday night when fires lit up the whole harbour, according to an R.A.F. communiqué.

The communiqué states: "Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm carried out a successful attack on the harbour of Syracuse during the night of August 16-17. Bombs were dropped from a low altitude on the central mole and railway sidings, starting several fires which finally became one intense blaze with flames rising to 300 feet.

"A number of violent explosions accompanied the fire which lit up the whole of the harbour area. Considerable damage must have been done to shipping.

BARRACKS BOMBED

"The same formation dropped a number of incendiary bombs on barracks at Cap Passaro. These caused a heavy detonation followed by a fire which was still visible from aircraft when about 70 miles away on their homeward journey.

"Hurricane fighters machine-gunned seaplanes in the harbour of Syracuse yesterday and destroyed one Cant Z-506 and severely damaged a number of others.

"Aircraft of the South African Air Force bombed and machine-gunned Wolebeft and Debarech and obtained hits on the forts' buildings and trenches.

"All aircraft returned safely from these operations"

SAI KUNG ROAD
COLLISIONRadiator Of Bus
Smashed

Motorbus No. 851, on No. 3 route, was put out of action in a traffic accident in Sai Kung Road about 12.20 p.m. yesterday as the result of a collision with Bus No. 880 on the No. 11 route.

A woman passenger on Bus No. 880 sought to alight suddenly and the bus was pulled to a stop to avoid an accident.

However, the result was the reverse of what was anticipated as Bus No. 851, just behind, collided with No. 880 and both vehicles suffered damage.

Bus No. 851 had its front radiator smashed in and was put out of service.

CYCLIST HURT

A cyclist, Shun Sau, received treatment at Kowloon Hospital yesterday for superficial abrasions to his head as the result of a collision in Sai Kung Road about 7.45 a.m. with a military motor cycle, driven by L/Nk. Karam Chand, of the 2/14th Punjab Regt. Shun was not detained in hospital. The soldier was not hurt.

BUSES COLLIDE

As Bus No. 879, of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. Ltd., was proceeding along Laihek Road at 11 p.m. on Monday, the driver, had to suddenly apply his brakes in order to avoid a pedestrian. Bus No. 842, which was following close behind, was unable to stop in time with the result that it crashed into the rear of the first bus. Both buses were slightly damaged, and the conductor of the second bus also received slight injuries to his ankles.

CHINESE MINISTER
TO AUSTRALIA

Mr. Hsu Mo, newly appointed Chinese Minister to Australia, arrived in Hongkong from Chungking early yesterday morning en route to Australia to assume his post. He was accompanied by Mr. Tuan Mou-lan, Mr. Hu Ching-yu, and Mr. Cheng Kang-chi, respectively Counsellor, First Secretary and Second Secretary of the Chinese Legation in Australia.

ABJECT POVERTY

Owing to abject poverty and being sick, a man, Yip Ng, aged about 40, attempted to end his life by jumping into the harbour at 6 o'clock yesterday morning in the Western district.

He was rescued by boat people and was removed to Queen Mary hospital.

ANTI-MALARIA
MISSION TO
CHINA

The United States Government has decided to send a special mission to China this fall to conduct anti-malaria work along the projected Yunnan-Burma Railway.

Fifteen medical experts, malarialogists, entomologists and sanitary engineers financed under the Lend and Lease Bill will conduct one of the world's biggest anti-malaria projects among 2,500,000 Chinese labourers constructing the railway.

The mission will seek to reduce morbidity and mortality from malaria to the minimum and co-operate with the Chinese health officers in anti-malaria work along the Yunnan-Burma highway.

(Central News).

JUNK ROBBERY
SEQUELThree Men Convicted
At Sessions

Found guilty on a charge of robbing a junk in the waters of the Colony, Chan Kan, 20, junk fook, Ho San, 21, and Lai Yau, 32, both unemployed, were each sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment by Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

They were stated to have robbed trading junk No. T3097H between Nine Pins Islands and Waglan Lighthouse at 9 p.m. on July 10 after having fired several shots from a sailing boat. A naval patrol boat in the vicinity, on hearing the sounds of firing, came upon the scene. Second defendant was arrested on board the sailing boat while the two others were picked up from the sea.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Sgt. J. Allan prosecuted, and the following comprised the jury: Messrs. W. Sharp (Foreman), W. J. Pendergast, Ho Chin-lung, Pong Chiu-chun, Soo Mun-leung, Yau Cheng-lau and E. Liang.

CHARGES DENIED

In statements, all the accused denied robbing the junk, stating that they were forced by the robbers to transfer the cargo.

First accused, who was additionally charged with unlawful possession of three rounds of ammunition and a clip without a licence, was sentenced to another six months' term to run concurrently with the first.

The jury, without retiring returned verdicts of guilty in respect of all the accused.

JUNK DISAPPEARS

Loaded with 1,500 bales of cotton cloth, valued at \$30,000, junk No. T4027H disappeared from the Yaumati typhoon anchorage between 9 p.m. on Aug. 17 and 7 a.m. the next day, with a fook on board, according to a report made to the Police by Wan Yuk-chee, the manager of a transportation company with offices at No. 282, Des Voeux Road, Central.

PEEPING TOM
ALLEGED

A boat-master, Chan Fook-shing, accused of peeping at a girl while she was having a bath in a boat next to his in Shaikwan, was allegedly struck by her with a piece of wood on the head. He was removed to hospital.

CHEQUE FOUND

A cheque for \$150, drawn on the China State Bank, was found in Connaught Road Central on Monday and is now lying in the Water Police Station awaiting a claimant.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 20 to 26 Aug. 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	20	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		06 49	6 7	00 31	3 6
Thy	21	21 02	4 4	14 22	1 5
		07 37	7 1	01 23	3 6
		21 22	4 7	14 56	1 2
Fri.	22	06 24	7 4	02 07	3 3
		21 47	5 1	15 39	1 0
Sat.	23	09 11	7 6	02 49	3 0
		22 17	6 4	16 07	0 9
Sun.	24	09 57	7 5	03 34	2 6
		22 49	5 6	16 41	1 1
Mon.	25	10 44	7 3	04 17	2 3
		23 27	5 9	17 17	1 4
Tues.	26	11 32	6 8	05 07	2 2
				17 49	1 8

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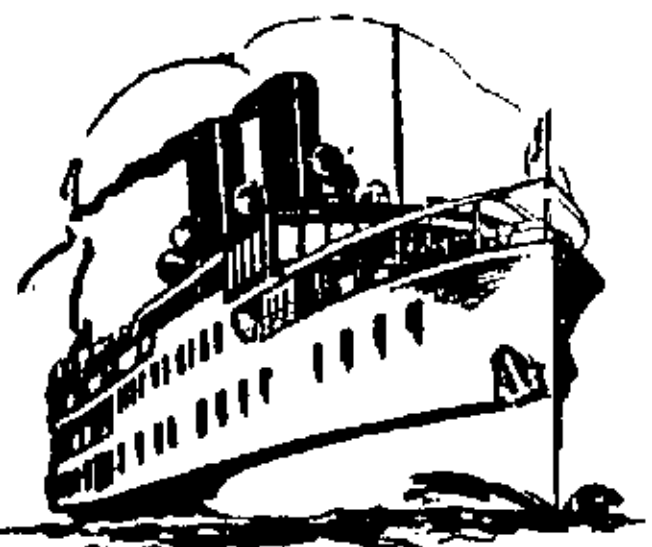
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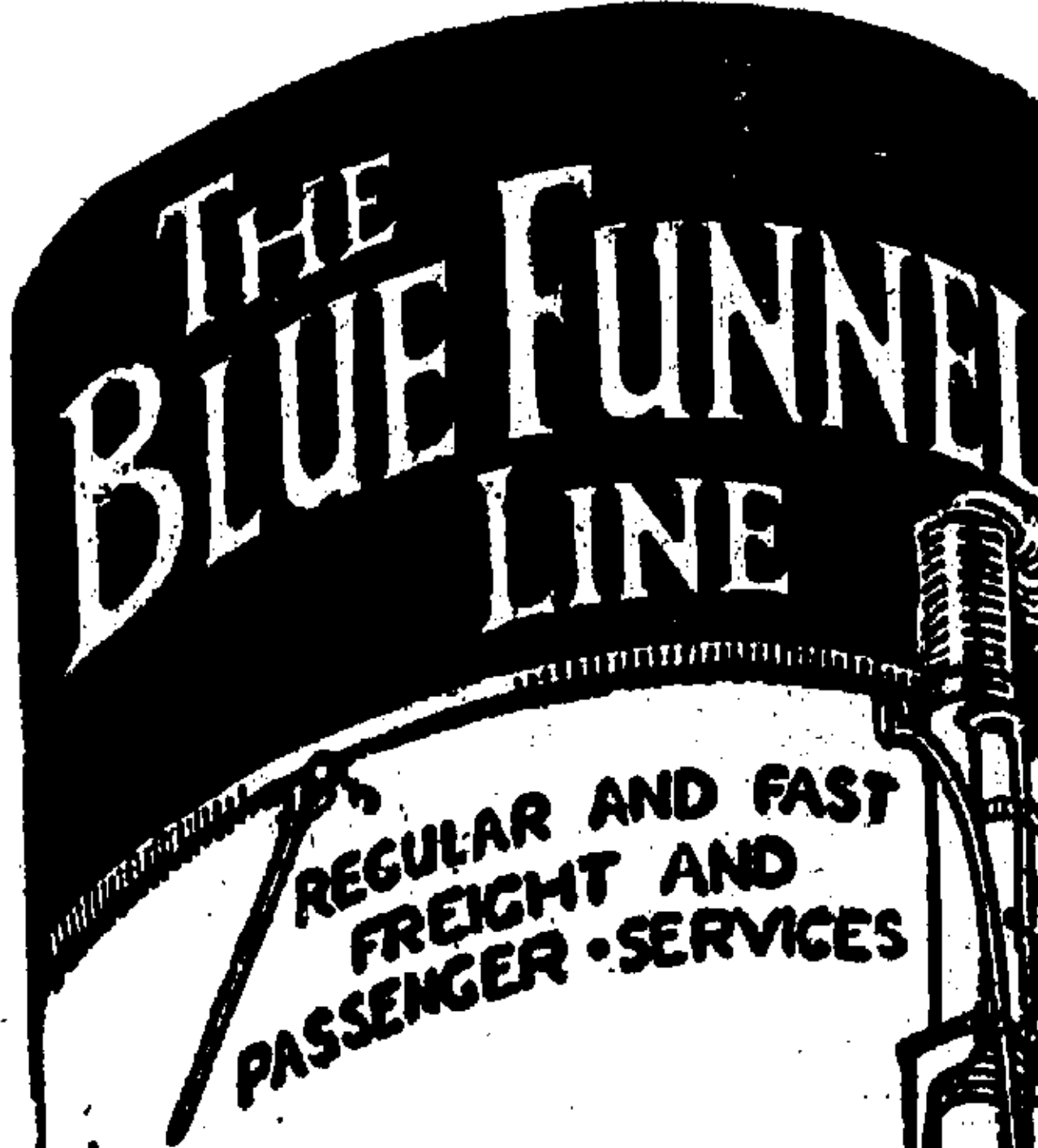
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SALUTARY EFFECT OF WAR ON THE INDIAN INDUSTRIES: BRIGHT HOPES HELD OUT FOR FUTURE BY STUDENTS

The war has in one respect had a salutary effect upon India. It has made India develop her own industries. The resources of the country are being co-ordinated today under the Board of Industrial and Scientific Research, a Government of India body, and the future of industry in India looks brighter than it had in a long time.

Such was the opinion expressed by two young Indian gentlemen, Mr. M. A. Azam and Mr. B. Ghosh, who are travelling to the United States as State Technical Scholars of the Government of Bengal, when interviewed on Monday by the Hongkong Daily Press. Both will study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The courses of study they will pursue have been mapped out for them by Mr. S. C. Mitter, Director of Industries of the Government of Bengal and a pioneer of industrial development in the State. Both young men, who are graduates from the University of Calcutta with the degree of Master of Science, emphasised that they owed much to the guidance of Mr. Mitter and the arrangements he had made with regard to the studies they will pursue.

Mr. Azam will continue his studies in chemical engineering and plastics at M.I.T., while Mr. Ghosh will continue to concentrate his studies on radio engineering.

Asked about the reaction of Calcutta to the war in general and the Far Eastern situation in particular, Mr. Azam said that both he and Mr. Ghosh had been greatly surprised on passing through Singapore and on arriving here that neither port was being blacked-out.

20-DAY BLACK-OUT

Calcutta had been blacked-out completely every night from July 1 up to July 20, when they had left, in a continual exercise, and with such success too that it was almost absolutely pitch dark in the streets.

Life in the black-outs was continuing as normally. The public was co-operating and punishments

TRIPLETS TO RICKSHA PULLER

(Tribune Staff Reporter)

Triplets have been born to a Singapore ricksha puller and his wife, who have two other children.

All the boys, were baptised by the Rev. Father S. Lee, Vicar of the Church of St. Theresa, and were given the names of Peter, John and Anthony.

They first saw the light of day in a room which their father Paul Ling Ah Hong, rent at 14 Dickson Road.

The triplets are all doing well, and are at present in a maternity clinic in Cross Street. When I paid them a visit, the mother was, with one hand, gently rocking the cradle in which slept one infant, and nursing another in the crook of her right arm. The third was lying by her side.

She remarked that "people were being very kind and generous to her."

The family will be receiving milk free of charge from a Singapore firm for one year, in addition to which they have been the recipients of charities from well-to-do Chinese.

DEFENCES OF MALAYA

The following were the five main points emphasised in an interview with the Press by the G.O.C., Malaya, Lt.-Gen. A. E. Percival, in Singapore.

1. Malaya is in a position to operate effectively against Japan if attacked.

2. It is of the utmost importance that the United States moves step-in-step with Britain in action in the Far East, militarily and politically.

3. This will have tremendous influence on future Japanese policy.

4. The Japanese occupation of Indo-China brings Malaya within reach of shore-based aircraft and puts the country in a position for a surprise attack, while with a Japanese occupation of Thailand, obviously, the threat to Malaya would increase.

5. New troops have recently arrived in Malaya and as long as it is considered necessary to further strengthen this country against the possibility of aggression, troops will continue to flow here as in the past.

for breaches of regulations were seldom necessary. There was a large civil defence force and some A.R.P. personnel and Bengal had, it could be quite generally stated, been "on guard" for some time.

Up to the time he left Calcutta, and that was before the Japanese invasion of Indo-China, any thought of an immediate threat to Bengal was not being seriously considered, but he would not be able to say anything on the reaction of Calcutta to this latest Japanese move, as he had left for Singapore long before this had occurred, Mr. Azam said.

Their sojourn in Hongkong would certainly not constitute their first acquaintance with things Chinese, both Mr. Azam and Mr. Ghosh asserted, as Calcutta itself had a large Chinese colony and the Chinese restaurant at the Chang Wah Hotel on Central Avenue, where Cantonese food was served, was much frequented.

BENGAL PRO-CHINESE

Opinion in Bengal, and perhaps in other parts of India too, was largely pro-Chinese with regard to the present struggle in the Far East, most Bengalis being out of sympathy with aggressive nations, the movement in this direction having been led by the late Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, who had great influence in his home province.

Calcutta is a centre of culture and education, Mr. Azam and Mr. Ghosh affirmed, and has produced noted men in many fields, including Nobel Prize winners in Science. The University there is a centre for the study of many cultures, and among the courses offered are those in the Tibetan, Chinese and Japanese languages, in nearly all of the more widely used languages of India, in Islamic culture and history and in other cultural subjects.

Hongkong, Mr. Azam and Mr. Ghosh said, was an amazingly beautiful place, though it seemed quite strange that these natural beauties were not taken more advantage of in the establishment of more parks. Calcutta has many beautiful parks, they said, Hongkong barely one.

Reading local newspapers, they were quite depressed with the picture painted of the prevalence of suicides, street snatchings, motor-accidents, etc. The Calcutta papers carried few items, leaving the impression that there was little incident of such nature in the city.

The ferries in Hongkong are amazingly efficient by all Calcutta standards, Mr. Azam and Mr. Ghosh agreed. Calcutta could boast better tramcars, however, though Hongkong's buses in turn were better. Calcutta, in their opinion, was the noisier city.

CROSSWORD PUZZLES

Another criticism that a resident of Calcutta would make of Hongkong newspapers, was the absence in them of good crossword puzzles, the two gentlemen also agreed. "Crosswords run rampant in Bengal," they said. "All the papers, both English and Bengali, carry them and offer good prizes for correct solutions."

The ricksha situation in Hongkong, too, they said, is a rather strange one. Here, one man pulls just one passenger, while in Calcutta it was not uncommon for three to four men to pile together into one vehicle, though the Calcutta rickshas, of course, were larger.

Calcutta had two-storey buses and one-storey trams. It was just the opposite in Hongkong.

Another interesting comparison of course, was in the cost of living. This had risen in Calcutta since the war, but it was much cheaper to reside there than it is in Hongkong.

Built To Be Bombed

Defying high explosives, bomb fumes and death by drowning, men are putting to sea in speed-boats which have been specially built to be bombed by the R.A.F.

These intrepid men are the crews aboard armour-plated 40-ft. boats, built in British yards renowned for racing craft and designed to withstand hits from light practice bombs.

Direct hits simply drill holes clean through the hull, which, being packed with a special buoyant substance called ozonote, one-fifth the weight of cork, can be "mended" comparatively simply.

Only amidships, where the crew of three and the vital parts are concentrated, is there stout armour plate, mounted on rubber buffers. Gas masks protect the men from bomb fumes and they are in radio communication with the bombing aeroplane. A safety tender lies near at hand.

The target boats not only turn in their own length, but can imitate the movement of any likely objective, from a steam train to zig-zagging naval vessels.

Training with them gives pilots and bomb-aimers of the R.A.F. valuable practice for their attacks upon moving enemy objectives.

DIED 4 YEARS AFTER TAKING CAUSTIC SODA

Tan Yong Chuan, a 17-year-old girl, who drank a solution of caustic soda in September 1937, four years ago, died in the General Hospital on July 29 this year, due to a stricture of the gullet, a condition set up by caustic soda poisoning.

This was revealed in the Coroner's court when the Singapore Coroner, Mr. W. G. Porter, held an inquiry into the girl's death.

Medical evidence was that the girl had been admitted into hospital on several occasions suffering from an ailment of the throat but on each occasion, she had been discharged.

The girl's sister-in-law, Yeo Kee Bee, testified that four years ago, she had taken a solution of caustic soda by mistake but after being treated in hospital, she had been discharged.

Mr. Porter recorded a verdict of death by misadventure.

EUROPEAN MOTORIST CHARGED

Dr. Withers-Payne, appearing in the District Traffic Court, Singapore, on behalf of a European motorist, Robert Jackson, objecting to evidence of intoxication being brought in, argued that such evidence was irrelevant as his client was charged with negligent driving and driving while intoxicated.

"A man may be intoxicated and yet be driving perfectly safely," he said.

The trial of Jackson began with Dr. Au Kee Hock giving evidence that Jackson was brought to the General Hospital for examination by Inspector Marsden on July 27 at 7.31 p.m.

"I examined him and took some blood for a test which I sent to the Government Chemist," said Dr. Au. "I received a report later from the chemist."

At this point of the proceedings, Dr. Withers-Payne made his objection.

SAME ISSUE

Dr. Withers-Payne said that he had personally appeared at the trial and re-trial of a police inspector faced with a similar charge before Mr. Justice Terrell when the same issue was raised and ruled as irrelevant.

The prosecution officer submitted that the main factor regarding the degree of negligence centred round the sobriety of the accused and on which point, he said, he was calling three witnesses.

"It would like to crave the indulgence of the court for a postponement in order to refer the matter to the Deputy Public Prosecutor," said the prosecuting officer. Mr. Whitten adjourned the case.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 20th AUGUST, 1941.

Parcel Post Service to Japan is temporarily suspended.

Air Mail to Rangoon to connect with the British Overseas Airways Service will until further notice be closed on Mondays and Fridays. Correspondence for despatch by this route must be superscribed by "C.N.A.C."

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan
Szechuen
Kweichow
Hunan
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsui)
Kwangsi
North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st August,	28th Aug.
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FRIDAY	Fri. 22nd Aug. K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
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THURSDAY	Thu. 28th Aug. K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	
TUESDAY	Tue. 9th Sept. K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	

Japanese Imitative Rather Than Originating People

The Japanese are frequently described as an imitative rather than an originating people, says THE TIMES in a leader, according to Reuters.

Such generalisations can be dangerous, yet the methods of Japanese agents and propagandists in many Asiatic countries suggest a close study and careful imitation of the German technique.

Hitlerian tactics, which succeeded in INDO-CHINA, are now being attempted in the prosperous, progressive and reputable state of THAILAND. After referring to the danger to Thai independence involved in the Japanese military occupation of Indo-China, and also to the "war of nerves" now being waged by broadcasters from Tokyo, THE TIMES points out that these tactics bear a remarkable resemblance to those employed by Hitler before his Balkan campaign, but while the Bulgarian Government manifested readiness to surrender before German pressure reached its height, the Athens Government adopted an independent attitude.

PACIFIC INTENTIONS
Referring to the Thai Prime Minister's recent broadcast stating that his country would defend her territorial integrity to the utmost of her power, and that she had no fear or suspicion of a British attack, THE TIMES adds: "In fact, all our defensive movements near the Thai frontiers that march with Malaya and Burma have been communicated to Bangkok and our recent signature of a non-aggression pact with Thailand should satisfy any, but an aggressive Power, of our pacific intentions towards a good friend and neighbour."

THIRD S.C.A.A. GALA

The S.C.A.A. held its third swimming gala of the season at North Point yesterday evening.

There was an open event of 100 metres (free-style) in which Tsui Hing, brilliant newcomer, swam exceedingly well to win in 54.2/5 secs.

50 metres breast-stroke for men:—1. Au Leung-wah, 2. Ho Pung-kan, 3. Tsui Luen-yu.

100 metres breast-stroke for ladies:—1. Li Po-luen, 2. Ho Wai-mun, 3. Chui Pk.

50 metres back-stroke for ladies:—1. Li Po-luen, 2. Ho Wai-mun, 3. Ho Wai-mun.

100 metres free-style (open to Colony):—1. Tsui Hing, 2. Fung Fui-wai, 3. Chung Tat-hung.

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